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## SCORCHED EARTH TACTICS IN INDONESIA

### Tackling The Crisis General Wage-Stop Proposed

London, August 1.—Cabinet Ministers were today seeking the agreement of trade union leaders to a general stoppage of wage demands during Britain's dollar crisis.

The Ministers want to combine this measure with the appeal for voluntary overtime work which is expected to be presented to the National Joint Advisory Council—representing the Government, trades unions and employers organisations—at its meeting on August 6, the opening day of the Parliamentary debate on the crisis question.

The meeting of this "Industrial parliament" has been called to receive the Government's "progress report" on economic developments since the publication of the economic White Paper of last February.

### DILEMMA

The Government has so far favoured a policy of differential advantages to attract workers to these industries rather than a direction of labour. But they have encountered the opposition of powerful unions, especially the Transport and General Workers Union, whose leaders have declared themselves unable to prevent their members from raising wage claims while workers in more favoured industries get preferential treatment.

Faced with this dilemma, some Ministers have concluded that, at a moment of crisis and as part of an overall appeal for greater efforts and sacrifices, there is a better chance of acceptance than wage-stops for less vital industries.

### Nobel Prize Award

London, August 1.—The 1947 Nobel Prize for Literature has been unanimously awarded to Maria Breikner, the 28-year-old Norwegian author, for her book "Mother Mary", an intimate story of the everyday life of the Holy Family, Stockholm Radio reported tonight.

### EDITORIAL

#### Our High Living Costs

SIR Alexander Grantham's quick appreciation of one of Hong-kong's most serious problems—the high cost of living—and his hint that Government might find it expedient to intervene for the purpose of helping to relieve the community of this heavy burden, will meet with the hearty approval of the general public. Nothing better illustrates the artificiality of Hong-kong's economic recovery than its inflated living costs. In part, the high cost of living is created by the abnormal demand for consumer goods still in short supply. But a big contributing factor is the presence of excessive and idle capital, wherefore money has become so cheap with certain sections of the community that they are willing to pay anything, to the embarrassment of those who have to live on salaries. Wages have increased but have not kept pace with retail prices, and with many commodities and services the profit margins have been and still are, too substantial. The most striking feature of the 1946 balance sheet of the Colony's principal trading

### SAO PAULO RIOT

Rio de Janeiro, Aug. 1.—One person was killed and 20 injured in riots today in Brazil's second city, Sao Paulo, where shouting crowds stoned the City Hall and other buildings. More than 100 buses were estimated to have been destroyed by the rioters, who were protesting over increases in bus and tram fares and the rising cost of living. Police tonight made many arrests and claimed that the situation was under control, although disorders were still continuing at night-fall.—Reuter.

### Illegal Use Of U.S. Arms Plants

Berlin, Aug. 1.—Officials of the United States Army, inspecting two plants in the American sector, discovered that "war material was being manufactured for a foreign power without sanction by the office of the military government," it was announced tonight.

Officials discovered stockpiles hidden to avoid inspection, including semi-completed gyroscopic motors for aircraft, submarines and tanks, wings and body parts of trainers, theodolites and multiple station theodolites, for use in observing the trajectories of guided missiles such as V-1 and V-2, submarine periscopes and other similar precision instruments.

The announcement said that officials of the Economic and Armed Forces Division and Signal Corps made the arms discoveries during a tour of inspection of two plants of German works in the Fricke and Mariendorf districts of the American sector.

### PLANTS CLOSE

The officials did not name the foreign power for whom weapons were manufactured.

The Counter-Intelligence Corps and the Criminal Investigation Division threw agents around the two plants while other troops searched them.

The plants were immediately closed and placed under protective custody.

The action was taken pending an investigation for violation of the Allied control authority law forbidding manufacture, transportation or storage of war materials.

American agents took five men into custody.

The announcement said, "The evidence, which is now being sifted indicates that war material was being manufactured for a foreign power without sanction by the office of the military government."—United Press.

### Factories And Oil Tanks Set On Fire

Batavia, August 1.—The widespread scorched-earth tactics of the Republicans, like setting fire to quarters, factories and warehouses, were reported from the Indonesian fighting fronts today as the United Nations Security Council prepared to resume discussion of the Java problem, 12 days after the start of the fighting.

The Republicans have set fire to oil tanks in Tjilatjap Harbour, on Java's south coast, the most important port still reported to be in Republican hands—and to sugar, cigarette and cocoa factories in the centre of the island, a Dutch communique said today.

Last night the sky glowed over Malang in East Central Java, occupied by the Dutch yesterday, from fires lit by the Republicans, the communique added.

Unofficial reports reaching here last night told of a Dutch landing east of Tjilatjap in an attempt to prevent the destruction of hundreds of tons of rubber, sisal, kapok, sugar and tea stored in warehouses.

Today's second Dutch communique reported that 2,000 Chinese, evacuated from towns on the north-east of Sumatra during the Dutch advance, arrived in Medan—in the north of the island.

Some Sumatra plantations had been burned in the Republican "scorched-earth" policy, although there was no damage more serious than that caused by the years of neglect during the Japanese occupation, the communique said.

Today's Republican communique reported that a Dutch destroyer shelled the north coast of Java between Rembang, only north-east port left in Republican hands, and Mondul, the Java town captured yesterday by the Dutch, the Republican claimed.

### NEW PAPER MONEY

The Republican Government had urged the population of Central Java to lend money and goods for the war in exchange for promissory notes, Antara, the Republican news agency, reported today.

The Republican Government had issued new paper money in denominations of 125 rupiah (about 11 shillings), Antara added.

(In Moscow the Red Star) the Soviet Army's official newspaper, said that Holland can hardly afford a long war against 70,000,000 Indonesians, Moscow Radio reported today.

In Bombay, the Indian Maritime Union asked all pilots in Bombay harbour to refuse to take out the Dutch steamer Lamboek if she loaded ammunition for Indonesia.

The local agents of the shipping company concerned in Bombay denied yesterday that the ship was loading ammunition, but dockers refused to unload the ship's cargo, said to consist of 10 officers, 100 men, and bulk ore, and casual labour had to be employed.

Police pickets were posted near as a precautionary measure, but there were no further demonstrations.

### Superforts' Record Flight

Washington, Aug. 1.—Seven Superfortresses, winging 7,000 miles from Tokyo, landed at Andrews Field in a record-breaking flight climbing the Air Force's 40th anniversary celebration.

The sky giants swept over the Washington Monument in the capital 84 hours after taking off from Tokyo at 2 a.m. EDT yesterday (Thursday). Actual flying time was 30 hours and five minutes.

The flight represented a new achievement in radio transmitting and receiving. The Strategic Air Command inaugurated on the trip a new radio strategy in the use of radio. For the first time in history planes were in continuous radio contact with Andrews Field, Strategic Headquarters, even when 7,000 miles distant.

The Superforts soared in high over the Washington Monument, then circled the capital for almost 30 minutes before landing. Buzzing about the big planes were 23 fast jet-propelled F-80 Shooting Stars, which picked up the Superforts at Martinsburg, West Virginia, and escorted them to Washington.

The ship which dropped out at Anchorage resumed its flight seven hours after the flight of seven left.—United Press.

### SURPRISE DEVELOPMENT IN INDONESIA-DUTCH DISPUTE

Lake Success, N.Y., Aug. 1.—The United Nations Security Council today again considered Australia's demand that the Dutch and Indonesians should stop fighting and let the United Nations arbitrate in the dispute.

The chairman, Dr Oscar Lange (Poland), last night urged the Council to try to decide on the Australian demand today, but immediately the meeting opened, Belgium's delegate, M. Ferdinand Van Langenhove, warned the members against reaching a hasty decision on the basis of the scanty information now available.

He said that if the Council called for a cessation of hostilities now, it would be prejudging the whole issue. This should, therefore, not be done without discussion.

The Belgian delegate also supported the Netherlands objection made last night that the Council was not competent to interfere in a matter which, as the Dutch had contended, was within their domestic jurisdiction.

At this stage, there was an unexpected development when the Dutch delegate, Dr Van Kieffens, announced that his Government had accepted the United States offer to mediate.

"The Netherlands Government," he said, "warmly welcomes the United States offer of its good offices, which it gladly accepts. In view of this, The Netherlands Government will be glad to enter into consultation as to what manner the good offices can be made effective."

Britain then suggested that the Security Council should drop the Indonesian question for the time being and allow the United States mediation to operate.

The British delegate, Mr. Valentine Lawrence, said: "We have not heard of any really convincing arguments to persuade us that this is a war between two sovereign states, but what we have here is a situation which for political or economic reasons may lead to international friction. It cannot be denied that there have been serious repercussions in Asia."

As the Dutch had accepted the American mediation, the British delegation believed that, instead of proceeding on the lines of the Australian proposal, the Security Council should take note of the mediation offer and leave the matter on the agenda until the Council had received a report on all developments.

Speaking for the United States, Mr. Herschel Johnson, said that the Australian resolution raised two difficult legal problems—the sovereignty of Indonesia and the competence of the Security Council on the issue. He proposed an amendment which bypassed these problems and merely called on both parties to stop fighting and submit to a peaceful settlement.

### The Sports Column

#### EXCITING WIN FOR SURREY

London, August 1.—Surrey won a close two-wicket victory today over Essex at Chelmsford. Surrey had to get 340 runs to win on a dusty wicket, and with half the side out for less than 120, their task appeared hopeless. But fast scoring turned what seemed as certain victory for Essex into a triumph for Surrey.

The results of games which ended today were: At Chelmsford: Surrey beat Essex by two wickets. Surrey 144 and 340 for eight (McIntyre 70, E.R.T. Holmes 65 not out). Essex 182 and 301.

At Leicester: Leicestershire beat Derbyshire by three wickets. Leicestershire 351 and 249 for eight declared. (Dogg 115 not out). Derbyshire 210 and 392 for seven (Tomlin 70, Jacks 120 not out).

At Southampton: Glamorgan beat Hampshire by ten wickets. Glamorgan 349 and 12 for no wickets. Hampshire 149 and 204.

At Worcester: Worcestershire beat Northants by eight wickets. Worcestershire 398 and 44 for two. Northants 190 and 243.—Reuter.

BY GAD! YOU'RE RIGHT SIR. London, August 1.—Britons take their cricket seriously. Thus this letter to The Times from a shocked reader:

Sir,—In the recent university match many members of both universities gazed with surprise at the caps of the Cambridge opening batsmen. The captain wore the Quaidun, and his partner the Crusader. For a parallel we must go back 40 years. In 1907 R. A. Young, who wore glasses, had to bat in a drizzle, and preferred a Crusader cap to his "Blue" cap because it had a bigger peak. This instance apart, these caps, honourable as they are, have, I think, never previously been worn on this occasion except by substitutes. Surely in the university match the "Blue" is the only wear! It is no time for molly.—United Press.

#### Big Goodwood Surprise

Goodwood, Sussex, August 1.—The greatest surprise of Goodwood's four-day meeting, which was graced with brilliant sunshine each day, came today, the final day, when the 20 to 1 outsider Avignon scored, in the Chesterfield Cup over one and a quarter miles, beating last year's Derby failure, Edward Tudor, on whom odds of four to seven were laid.

Edward Tudor has been somewhat disappointing, but when his chief rival, Signalman, who won this race last year, was not added owing to the firm going, it looked as if this happened only when he was a quarter mile from the finish. But it was more than Edward Tudor could do to give Avignon 20 pounds and the gallant little horse triumphed by one length, much to the delight of his own factory owner, Edith Gardner.

Two St. Leger outsiders ran today, but whereas the colt Merry Quip duly landed the odds laid on him in the Gordon Stakes of one and a half miles, the filly Mermad had to be content with fourth place in the Nassau Stakes over one and a quarter miles. This race was won, after a photographic finish, by Gladys Joel's Wild Child.

The Goodwood meeting very nearly ended in tragedy, for after going in furlong the leading horse, August Festival, fell, throwing his jockey, apprentice Mervyn Rees, and bringing down a second horse with his jockey, Percy Evans. Both jockeys were badly shaken.

August Festival broke his neck and had to be destroyed. Richards on Bellagio escaped all trouble and went on to win by a length.

Another 80,000 crowd was present and the meeting has broken all previous records on each day of its four-day meeting.—Reuter.

#### Brown In Final

Prague, Aug. 1.—The United States Tom Brown reached the finals of the open Czech tennis championships today, defeating Sweden's No. 1, Torsten Johansson, 4-6, 4-0, 6-3, 6-2, 6-3.—United Press.

#### Women Athletes

London, August 1.—British women athletes with chances of being picked for the Olympic games next year will show their paces in the Women's Amateur Championships at Chiswick on Saturday. Foreign opposition will be met in the women's hurdles where the holder, Betty Crowther of the Midland Ladies Athletic Club, runs against M. Tarbova of Czechoslovakia and A. Iversen of Denmark.

Eight of Saturday's winners will participate in the Britain v France men and women athletic meet in Paris in September.—Associated Press.

### Russians Greet British Navy

London, Aug. 1.—Units of the Mediterranean Fleet received a warm welcome during a visit to Sevastopol, the Soviet Black Sea Fleet base, the Admiralty stated tonight at the conclusion of a four-day courtesy call.

The statement contained many appreciative references to the friendliness and hospitality shown to British sailors by Soviet sailors and civilians.

The Commander-in-Chief of the Mediterranean Fleet, Admiral Sir Algernon U. Willis, and officers and man of a cruiser and two destroyers were cordially received by Admiral Filip S. Ortyubsky, Commander-in-Chief of the Black Sea Fleet. Official lunches and receptions were exchanged and sporting events and excursions were arranged, including trips to Yalta and Crimean holiday resorts.

The announcement stated that speeches stressed the friendship between the two navies.—Reuter.

### Police Car Dashes Into Funeral Crowd

Jerusalem, Aug. 1.—Violence flared anew today at the funeral of the five Jews slain in rioting Tel-Aviv, and in Jerusalem where one Jew was killed in a bombing attack on the gunpost guarding the Hampshire Battalion barracks.

A police armoured car plunged straight into the crowd of Jews attending the funeral of five of their number who were killed in the wild rioting in Tel-Aviv last night. A number of Jews was injured.

The enraged crowd tried to seize the occupants of the car, who were reported by witnesses to be British police. The driver sped off while police on the scene fired shots in the air until the car was out of reach.

Shortly before the Tel-Aviv flareup, four Jews charged a gunpost at Hampshire Barracks in Jerusalem, hurling explosives over the barbed-wire barricades. They fired a burst from a neighbouring garden to distract attention.

British guards answered with gunfire, killing one attacker. A second attacker was captured.

### SOVIET ATTITUDE

Mr Andrei Gromyko (Russia) disagreed with the delegates who doubted whether Indonesia had a sovereign status. He also thought that the Security Council was perfectly competent to deal with the situation.

Mr Gromyko added that the Soviet delegation could not support the British proposal to shelve the question while mediation operated, as this would mean bypassing the United Nations.

The Russian delegate accused the Netherlands Government of aggression in Indonesia. "The fact that The Netherlands Government calls its action limited police measures

### SWIMMING GALA POSTPONED

The Swimming Gala arranged for tonight at the European Y.M.C.A. has been postponed.

### Police Car Dashes Into Funeral Crowd

First reports said several persons were wounded, seven seriously, while a girl was said to be among the injured.

Thousands did not go to work today for fear of further outbreaks, although the funeral of the slain Jews was attended en masse by the population.

The funeral of the two British sergeants found hanging in a eucalyptus tree near Nethanya yesterday, held at Ramleh with temporary full military honours.—United Press.



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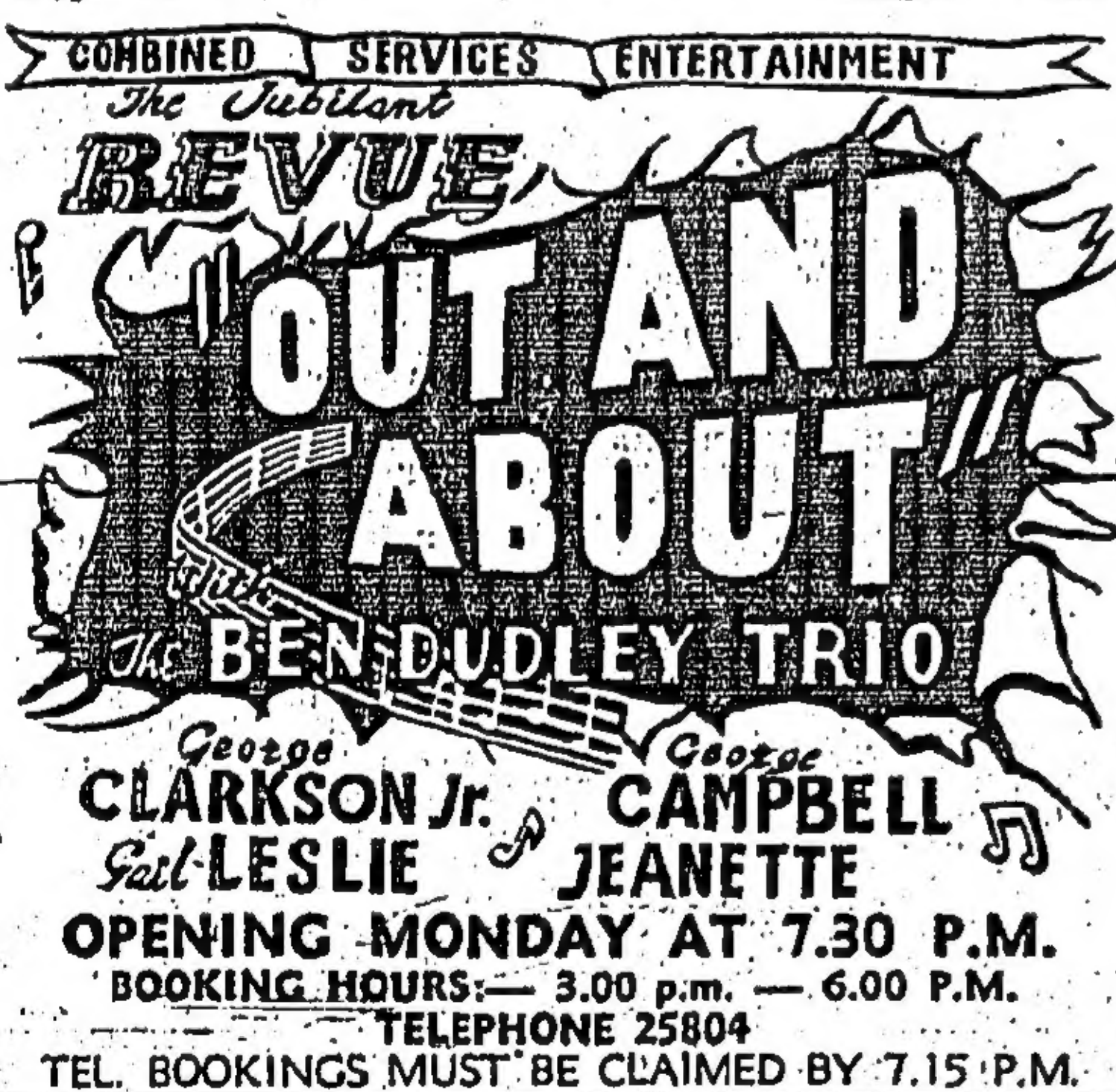
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# THE WEST END IS NOW PERKING UP

By DAVID LEWIN

LONDON, July 17.  
THE West End is perking up. The crowds are back and more money is beginning to flow. Entertainment men tell me business is up by 20 per cent.

The men who know say there are three reasons for the change: The American Navy is in town and that means spending on the old wartime scale; people are here for their holidays and the West End is now fresh to them; Eros is back

and the suburban families want to see him again. Yes, they say Eros really matters.

It is all good news and the street corner boys are marking their prices accordingly. Watch them. In the afternoon they sell cherries at 1s. 9d. a lb. By the evening, as the crowd thickens in Leicester-square, they change the signs to read 1s. a half pound and say it is a giveaway.

Even the snack bars have queues outside after 11 p.m. and the men who make money

out of what you eat tell me people are going to bed later. Meanwhile what's the news around here?

TOMMY TRINDER is all set to go to New York. He will break new ground there at La Martinique night club, where they have never had a British comedian before.

ARTHUR SINCLAIR, that grand actor from Dublin who makes the "Crime of Margaret Foley" very worthwhile, has had an offer to go into "Finian's Rainbow," the American show which arrives some time in the autumn when they can find the right theatre for it. Margaret Foley keeps her name, by the way. The producers decided they would not change it despite protests from Lady Foley. They will alter the name of the chief character from Thomas Foley to John. Is everyone satisfied?

IN the Bellver Bar, where tired BBC people go for a drink, they say those quiz shows (or audience participation programmes, officially) will go on and on and on. A BBC high-up told me: "The public likes them, so they must continue. There'll be new twists, of course." The news depresses me.

IN the dinner spots, where for the first time in weeks they turn away customers who haven't booked a table, they tell of 17-year-old Erica, whose singing stopped the waiters serving. Her number was "Sadness," and restaurateur Ferraro wrote the words. Erica came here eight years ago when she escaped with her mother from a German concentration camp. At the hotel in Dorling where she lives a composer heard her sing and arranged lessons. She will go to the top.

A NEW name next: Audrey Fildes (rhythmes with mild). Audrey is 24 and played with the Old Vic in the West End. Her first film part is four minutes in "White I Live." Those four minutes will make Audrey's name appear in my notebook again.

## GRAND NEW DANCE TEAM



"I WON'T DANCE," emphatically declares Lucille Bremer, as she sings this famous Jerome Kern melody in M-G-M's lavish new Technicolor musical, "Till the Clouds Roll By," based on incidents in Jerome Kern's life. She gets through eight bars of the lyrics, when Van Johnson appears on the scene. The upshot of the matter is, she does dance! Miss Bremer and Johnson are but two of the breath-taking array of stars appearing on the King's Theatre screen in the new musical, among the others being June Allyson, Judy Garland, Kathryn Grayson, Van Heflin, Lena Horne, Angela Lansbury, Tony Martin, Virginia O'Brien, Dinah Shore, Frank Sinatra and Robert Walker, as Jerome Kern.

## SHE WOULD FIZZLE HER SIZZLE

HOLLYWOOD.—If it is all the same to her fans, Lauren Bacall would prefer not to be called "The Look."

The title, she declared, is very flattering and all that sort of thing. But from here on out—well—she would like to harvest a sheaf or so of renown for what she can do as an actress rather than be famous because her electrifying gaze has a certain effect on male customers in theatres.

There are at least two other people who agree with her—her husband, Humphrey Bogart, and her current director, Delmer (who likes to be known as "Just Delmer") Daves.

Right now, Daves, with the full assistance and complete agreement of the menace man, is attempting to guide Miss Bacall away from the "look" business in "Dark Passage," in which she co-stars with Bogart. He, you may recall, was the original recipient of the look which caused her to be called "The Look" in the first place.

Straightforward Role

"In this picture," said Daves, "Lauren plays a straightforward role, that of a sincere young woman with a sense of humour, a high code of honour and a determination to help her man out of difficulties."

And that, he added, is the kind of a girl Bacall really is.

Miss Bacall, notwithstanding her deep desire for a change in her histrionic stature—from the material to the artistic, so to speak—wants everyone to understand that she is grateful, indeed, that folk bothered to call her anything as the result of her debut performance in "To Have and Have Not."

She realises that it is far better to be a "look" than a nothin'. She also knows that tags like "The Voice," "The Body," "The Face," of cetera, did no great harm to the persons to whom they were attached.

"It is just that I am afraid if the fans continue to call me the you-know-what, it will handicap my career," she explained. "Nobody will expect me to act. They'll just expect me to look. And that isn't acting!"

## Kisses Should Not Be Heard But Seen

You never hear kisses in the cinema, or seldom ever, because the sound thereof, according to veteran recording engineers, is like that of a cracking peanut—common to circuses and upper balconies.

## LARGE SCREEN TELEVISION PROGRAMME

Heralding an advance of far-reaching significance in the mass entertainment field, the RCA Victor Division of the Radio Corporation of America and Warner Bros. Pictures, Inc., announce the signing of a contract for a joint programme of research on large-screen television.

Harry M. Warner, President of Warner Bros., Jack L. Warner, Vice-President in charge of production, and Frank M. Folsom, executive vice-president of RCA, in charge of the Victor Division, made the joint announcement, calling the co-operative arrangement "an historic step toward the development of large-screen television in the motion picture industry."

The research and experimental programme, it is predicted, will be as important as the first tentative efforts to put sound on film more than 20 years ago. New types of black-and-white large-screen television equipment have been developed by the RCA Engineering Products department in its Camden, N. J., plant.

In addition, RCA will provide technical and research information and the assistance of engineering personnel and field engineers.

Jack L. Warner has assigned Col. Nathan Levinson, head of the studio's engineering and technical research staff, to direct the experimental programme for Warner. As a pioneer in talking pictures, Col. Levinson has made many important contributions to the development of talking pictures.

Commenting on the joint programme Folsom drew a parallel between Warner Bros.' foresight in undertaking this pioneering work and its early achievements with sound films.

Nothing, of course, could be more disillusioning! Imagine John Garfield enfolding Joan Crawford in his husky arms, tenderly placing his lips to hers to make a noise like an unromantic peanut being pinched between a thumb and forefinger.

Just why microphones do such unflattering things to kisses, nobody seems to know. But they do. Somehow, the sound of osculation (as a rippling stream over small pebbles) records and reproduces as a crackle, harsh and brittle. Thus the ardent type of screen lover—like Garfield, Errol Flynn, Charles Boyer, Dennis Morgan or Gable—always attempts to kiss silently. Sometimes he doesn't succeed. When he doesn't, the disillusioning crackle is promptly deleted from the celluloid.

Eye Over Ear

This seemingly heartless surgery, according to Ollie Garretson, a pioneer recording engineer for Warner Bros., is absolutely necessary.

"The eye takes precedence over the ear when it comes to tender love scenes," he explains. "We have found, by long experience, that motion picture audiences take love scenes more seriously than any other kind. They accept the illusion, hook, line and sinker. They thrill with the hero and they palpitate with the heroine, and they do this in utter and absolute silence, hypnotised, apparently by the power of love."

"The ides, therefore—at least until somebody invents a way to record it properly—must remain as little children are supposed to be when company comes—seen but not heard."

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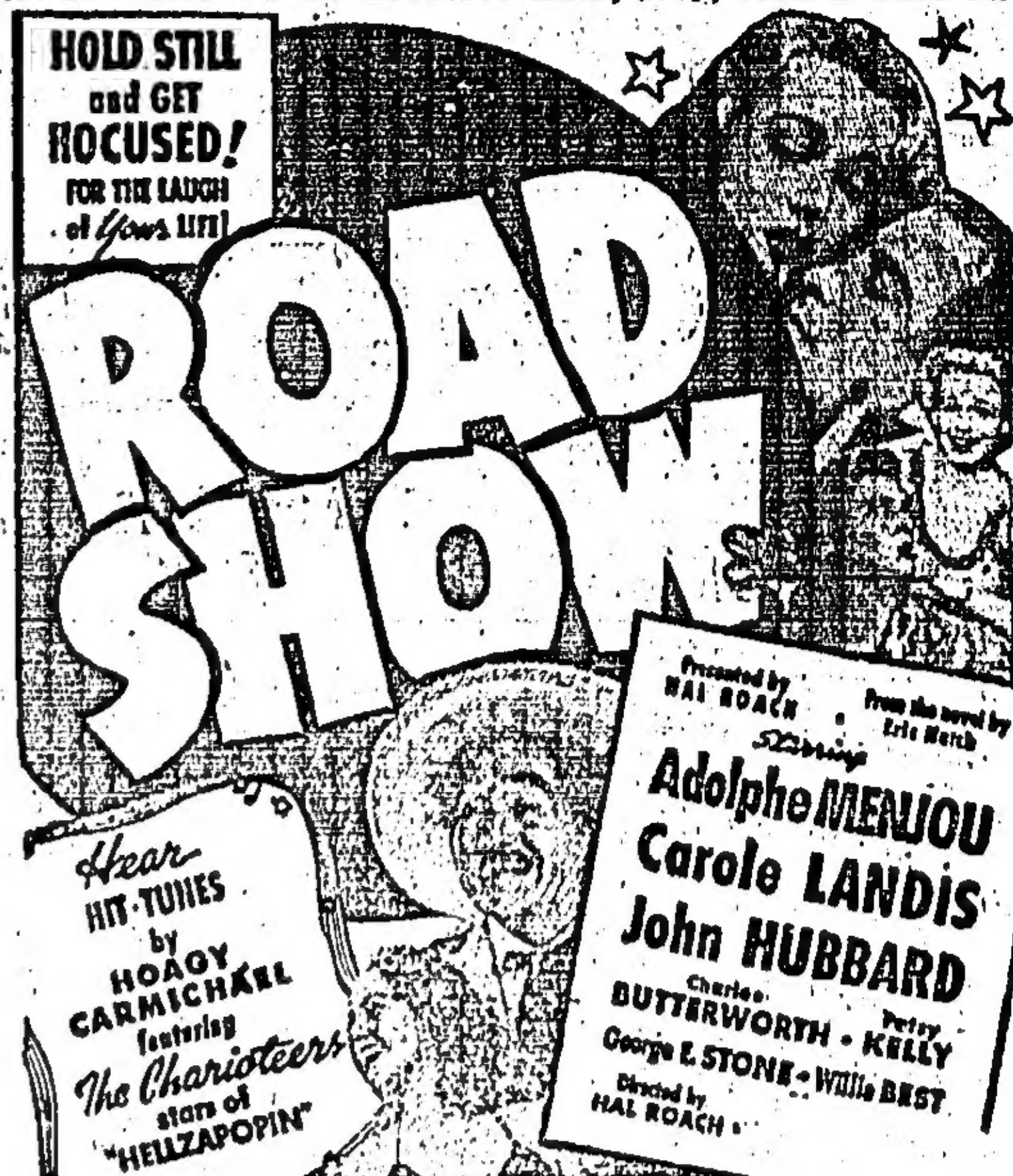


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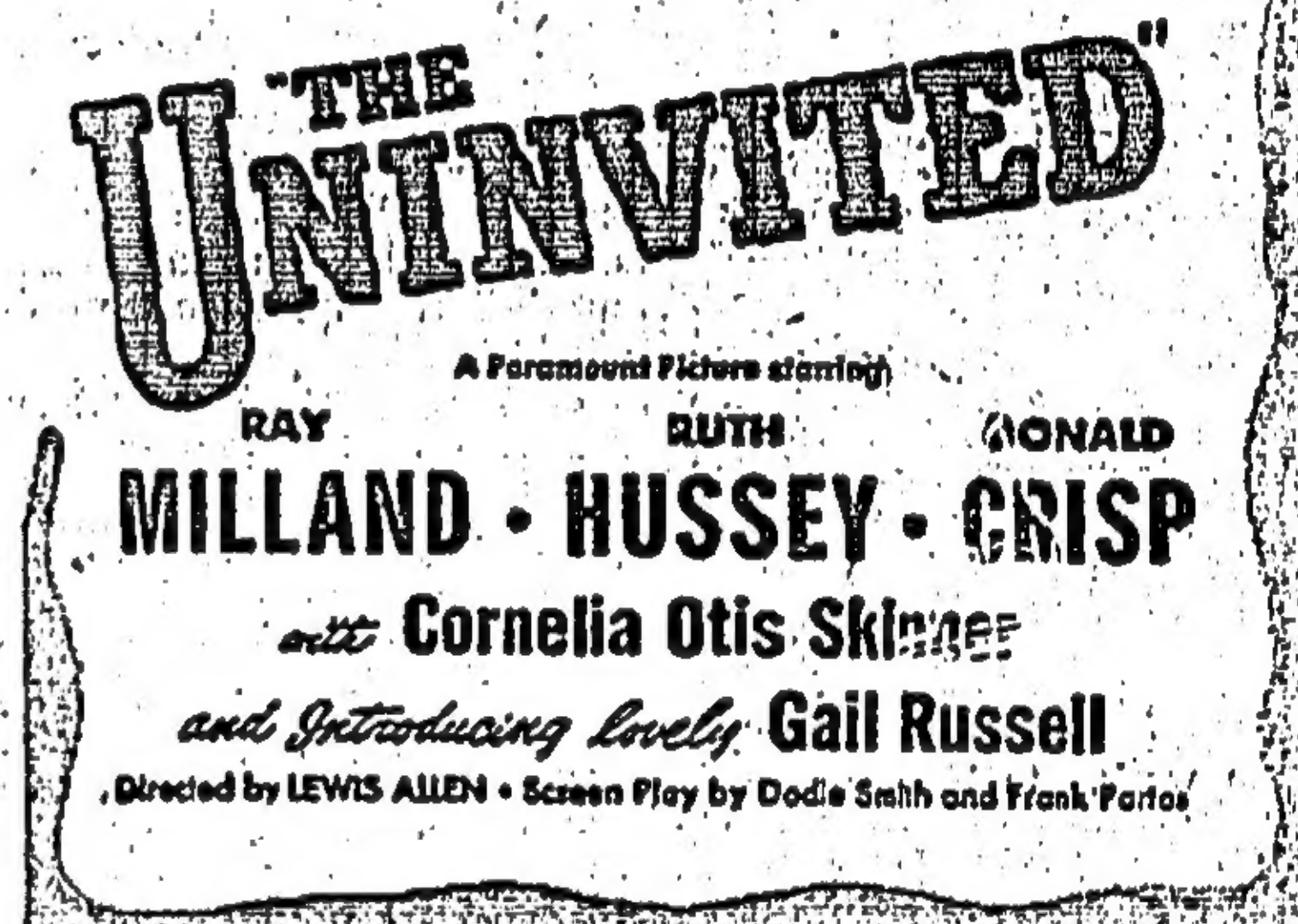
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## IT'S FUN FINDING OUT

MR CHAPMAN PINCHER, who has been on holiday, came into the office looking more like a Red Indian than a science correspondent, and when I said to him: "By jove, you look fit," he replied:—

"Suntan isn't necessarily a sign of fitness. It's merely the visible evidence that melanin granules have been formed in the skin to protect the body from an excess of ultra-violet light."

"Hey!" I said. "Not so fast. Let's go over that again." So we put our feet up on the desk and he delivered a lecture on the action of the sun on the human body. As the sunbathing season is now in full swing, you may like to hear what he said.

In the first place there are two kinds of sunlight. There's the sort you can see and the sort you can't. It's the second variety, commonly called ultra-violet light, that burns you. You could lie in the other all the summer and still be as white as a sheet.

Ultra-violet light doesn't penetrate ordinary glass, which is why you don't get brown when you look at the sun through a window. But it can get through clouds, if they are not too thick, which explains how it is that on mountains and at the seaside you may become burned when the sun is not shining at all.

Why the seaside and mountains? Well, that's because the air there is generally clean and fairly clear of dust and dirt. Ultra-violet light is trapped and absorbed by dirt, just as it is by windows. So dirty places don't get as tanned as clean ones.

# Here's a girl with lots of MELANIN

by BERNARD WICKSTEED

In small doses ultra-violet light does you a lot of good, but too much of it is a bad thing, because it kills the tissues of your body. When that happens your skin peels and you wish you'd listened to what your mother said about not going to sleep in the sun.

This is where melanin comes in. It's a black pigment formed in the skin to protect you from too much ultra-violet light, and it screens you in just the same way as clothes, glass windows—and dirt.

## White faces

If you spend most of your life in a city and work indoors you don't come into contact with much ultra-violet. So you need little protection from it. That's why city workers have white faces.

But when you go on holiday you are immediately exposed to more of these rays than you are used to. Your skin gets to work manufacturing a protective layer of melanin, and when you come back every-body says how handsome and fit you look.



Easy, said Mr Pincher. The codfish get it from herrings and the herrings from the minute forms of life which exist at the top of the sea where there is plenty of light.

All right, I said, that accounts for codfish, but what about elephants? They must need masses of vitamin D to grow healthy bones and tusks. Where do they find it? Their skins are much too thick to let the ultra-violet light pass through into their blood. The greenstuff they eat has little D in it and there can't be much cow's milk or cod liver oil in the jungle.

Well ladies and gentlemen, I am happy to say that for once Mr Pincher was stumped. If he hadn't been so sunburned I think I'd have seen a blush, as he admitted that, off-hand, he didn't know. How elephants got vitamin D.

Then he added that so far as he knew nobody else did either, and passed on quickly to birds, who get vitamin D by preening themselves. The light can't pass through their feathers so they make it external.

The oil they smear over themselves as they preen, contains, ergosterol, the magic chemical in the blood that is turned by light into vitamins. If for any reason they can't preen themselves they get rickets, just like the slum children used to do.

## Dwindling sun

SINCE we are all so dependent on ultra-violet for our vitamin D, is there any chance that the sun will ever cease sending it to us?

Yes, said Mr Pincher, there is. The time is coming when we shall have to do with less, because the sun is using itself up at the rate of four million tons a second, and it can go on like this for only another thirty thousand million years. So if you want to get a tan on your face like Mr Pincher, you'd better take your holiday soon.

What about freckles? Where do they fit in? Well, said Mr Pincher, they are made of melanin too, but instead of spreading evenly over the skin it forms itself in little patches.

Freckles are born and not made. You don't notice them in babies, but as soon as the ultra-violet gets at them they begin to colour up. For some reason there's a tie-up between freckles and red hair.

You can now see, said Mr Pincher, why it is that suntan doesn't necessarily mean you are in good health. It simply means you have been out in the open air.

Although it can be harmful in large doses, ultra-violet light is one of three things we get from the sun without which life on earth would be impossible, Mr Pincher went on.

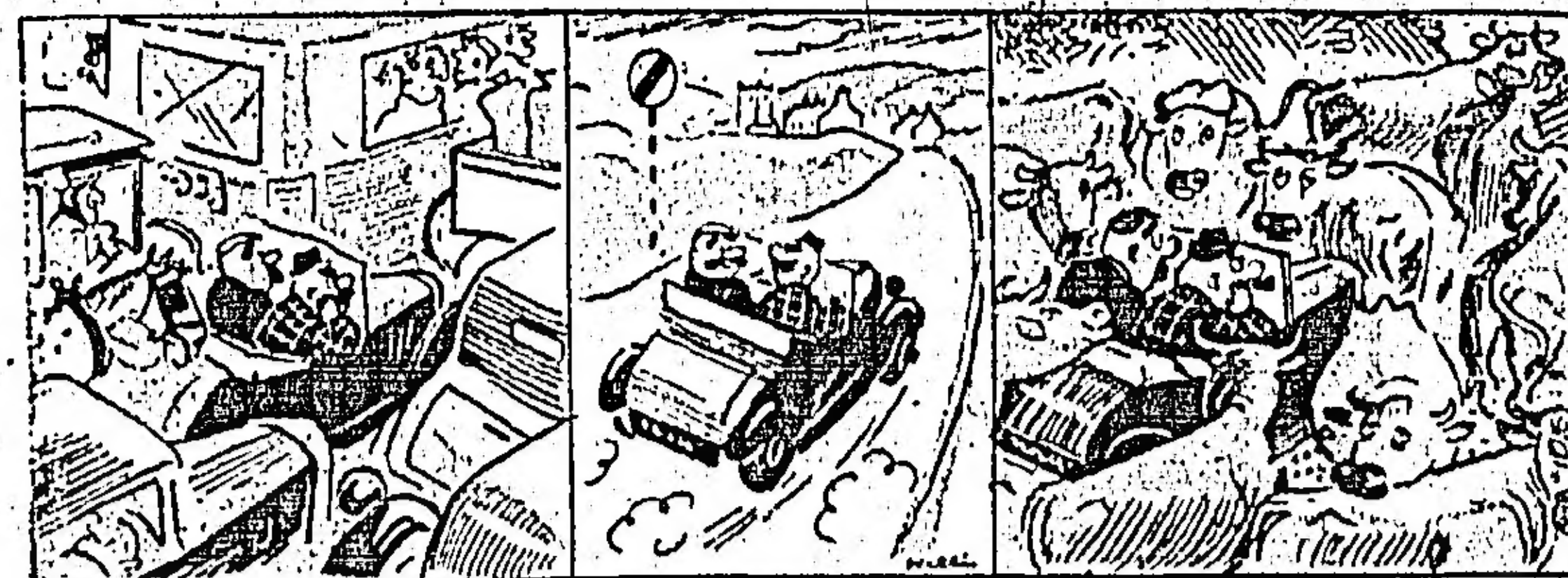
First we get ordinary sunlight, and without that there would be no green plants. Then we get heat. If we didn't the earth would freeze up and we'd all die. Finally we get ultra-violet light, which is indispensable to us because it is a necessary item in the manufacture of vitamin D.

## Vitamin maker

YOU must have vitamin D in your blood, otherwise your bones and your teeth don't grow. Children in sunless slums used to get rickets through lack of it. They don't so much now because they are given it in milk and cod liver oil.

Now here's a funny thing. You can't make vitamin D without ultra-violet light, and yet you get it ready made from codfish who live at the bottom of the sea where there is no ultra-violet. Where do they get it?

## DAB... AND FLOUNDER by Walter



# Well, where do we go from here?

by W. J. BROWN, M. P.

AN optimist has been defined as the kind of man who, having fallen from the sixtieth storey of a New York skyscraper, would say, after passing 40 storeys in his downward rush—"Well, we're all right so far!"

I was reminded of this definition while listening to Mr Herbert Morrison's speech on what everybody now admits is the national crisis.

It was a grave, a sombre speech. Dalton, speaking a week before, had troubled the House by his analysis of the financial position. Strachey, speaking only a day or two earlier, had cheered Government supporters with his review of the food situation.

Now Morrison, covering both fields and a good deal more besides, reviewed our national position as a whole. It was like the report of a Liquidator in Bankruptcy.

BRITAIN lives by her exports. Unlike either Russia or the United States, we cannot be self-contained. We may or may not import luxuries from abroad, but we must import raw materials for our factories, and the balance of the food we need beyond what we produce at home. We can pay for these things only by our exports.

Now the cost of our imports has risen sharply because of the movement of prices abroad. And our exports have fallen woefully below the target set. The gap, after allowing for Dalton's cuts in tobacco, films and the like, is now some £450 millions a year. Unless that gap is closed, we must cut our imports of food, or raw materials, or both.

But if we cut raw materials we shall not increase exports; we shall reduce them still further. If we cut food, our workers will lack the necessary strength to produce. Either course, in saving us, would slay us. We go on as we are from week to week only because the dollars—the borrowed dollars—which cover the gap are not quite gone. By the end of the year they will be exhausted.

WE have, so to speak, passed forty storeys on the way down. Like the optimist, "we are all right so far." But we are due to hit the ground shortly with a bang.

The only question is whether the fire brigade, which has been summoned, will be able to get the canvas sheet spread below us before we hit the pavement. That is to say, whether the Marshall plan will become effective, during the next six months....

If it does, what is achieved is not a solution, but a respite. "We shall have a few more years to pull ourselves together. If it does not we shall face our gravest difficulties yet. Out of that situation anything may come. In it, many things will go."

In its analysis of the situation, Mr Morrison's speech was a brave and clear one. Had it been made two years ago, the present might be different. But at the end of it, the dominant thought in the mind of every listener must have been—"So what? Where do we go from here?"

To these questions, on which our life as a nation depends, there was no answer. There was only a hope.

The hope was that, in order to avoid a crisis of over-production

and a consequential slump in their own economy, the Americans will keep us going; the hope of a sort of permanent lend-lease.

WELL, the hope of temporary aid is legitimate. But I do not believe that the Americans will tolerate an indefinite, one-way, lend-lease. Sooner or later the accounts must be balanced. They can be balanced only by a great increase in our production.

For two years the Government have concentrated, in the main, on two things—the extension and consolidation of our social services, and the programme of nationalisation.

There is everything to be said for the first, and a lot, in particular cases, for the second. But neither solves the question of production. The first, indeed, unless accompanied by extra effort, may so raise costs as to increase our difficulty in selling in a buyers' market. The second, if it is limited to a mere change of ownership, does not of itself, as coal plainly shows, add to our production.

THE Government have announced the names of the new Super-Planning Committee. It is a strong and representative body, and will doubtless do much good work. But fundamentally this problem of production, on which all hangs, is not a problem of planning, though planning may be necessary to it. It is a problem of man-power and output per man-hour.

Involved in this is a whole series of problems. They include the question of foreign labour, the allocation of labour as between productive and unproductive work, the question of restrictive practices by both employers and the unions, the question of the effect, on production, of excessive taxation and pay-as-you-earn, the question of providing incentives to take the place of the old incentives of unrestricted capitalism, and the like.

If we do not tackle these problems, if fear, either of the employers or the unions, leads us to evade them, we shall not solve our problem.

THERE is a story of a Russian in Moscow who dreamt that he would die the following night in that city. Determined to defeat the dream, he rose next morning and went to the railway station. There he bought a ticket for Kharkov. The devil was at the station. And noting from a distance what the man did, he said to one of his attendant satellites—"See! There is Ivan Ivanovich. I have an appointment with him to-night. In Kharkov."

Our situation is that of Ivan. We shall dodge only at the expense of death.

## WILL BRING FAMILIES TOGETHER

When the 16 Lincoln bombers of No. 617 Squadron RAF—the famous wartime "Dams raid" unit—cross the Atlantic on a good-will mission to Canada and the United States, there will be family reunions for two of the men of the squadron.

On August 11 the Lincolns are visiting Sacramento. There, on Mother Field, Corporal G. Dowell, a wireless operator will be greeted by his mother, Mrs. G. Dawes, of Victoria, British Columbia.

Corporal Dowell, a Canadian, served in the Royal Canadian Air Force during the war, and soon after being demobilised worked his passage across the Atlantic aboard a freighter to rejoin the RAF. He was in the RAF from 1939 until he transferred to RCAF in 1943.

Mrs. Dawes is to make a 750-mile overland journey to meet her son. The second man, Corporal George Hardy, an Englishman, will be met by his Canadian wife and their four-year-old son, when the squadron reaches Trenton, Airfield near Toronto, on September 2.

## THE GUILDS OF THE CITY OF LONDON: NO. 3

# THE ANCIENT DRAPERS' COMPANY . . . . By BARRY PEAK

THE full title of the Drapers' Company, third precedence of the City of London Companies, is "The Master and Wardens and Brethren and Sisters of the Guild or Fraternity of the Blessed Mary the Virgin of the Mystery of Drapers of the City of London." The word "mystery," appearing so often in the history of the Guilds, is derived from the French "metier," and although the Company's connection with the cloth trade has ceased, it continues to assist its members in many ways.

## FAMOUS MULBERRY

The City Companies began to receive Charters from the Crown in the 14th century, which gave them definite constitutions and the rights of holding property. The Charter under which the Drapers' Company acts today was granted, however, by James I in 1606, although the first Charter of the Company was granted by Edward III in 1394. Incidentally, the mulberry tree, which blooms still in the old garden at Drapers' Hall, was planted at the reign of James I, survived the Great Fire of 1666 and the aerial blitz of World War II. This sturdy mulberry bears fruit each year.

The Company's first Hall was situated in St. Swithin's Lane, and the building which once stood on the site belonged to that Tudor statesman and prelate, Thomas Cromwell, who lost his life in the reign of Henry VIII. Many of the City Companies' Halls have been destroyed by fire, first in the Great Fire of London, or in recent years. The Drapers' Hall is no exception. It was completely destroyed by fire in 1606, rebuilt and again seriously damaged by fire in 1772. Fortunately, it was spared in the blitz of World War II.

An interesting page in the history of the Drapers' Company occurred

in the reign of Richard II. During his reign there was considerable trouble in the City of London due to certain of the victualling trades receiving monopolies. The Fishmongers' Company, among others, was accused of raising the price of food to an unfair level. This caused much ill-feeling and resulted in riots in the City. In those days, fish was a vital necessity, being one of the staple foods of the poor, and John of Northampton, a prominent member of the Drapers' Company, took exception to these monopolies and championed the cause against high prices.

John of Northampton was given support by the City Guilds and received active help from the Mercers, Goldsmiths and Taylors, as well as from the Saddlers, Haberdashers and Cordwainers. John of Northampton later became the first reforming Mayor.

Today, like many of the City Guilds, the Drapers' Company is primarily interested in work of a benevolent nature. Considerable grants are made for the maintenance of schools, almshouses, and other institutions. To give an example of the generous monetary grants donated by the Company, an annual grant of £10,000 is made to the Queen Mary College, and £7,000 per annum has been made for seven years towards the cost of new buildings. There are also considerable scholarships and exhibition grants.

## SCHOLARSHIPS

The Company also maintains a Chair in French at Cambridge University at £800 a year, and scholarships are awarded annually at Howells' School for Girls and Bancroft's School for Boys, and in addition there are also almshouses and four charities which come under the Company's Apprenticeship Trust, and two Pension Trusts.

The Drapers' Company also subscribes generously each year to

King Edward's Hospital Fund, and annual donations are made to 29 various institutions including convalescent homes, missions to seamen, the London Orphan School and children's play centres. In one year alone special grants were made to the tune of nearly £4,000. Through this the Boy Scouts' Association received £1,000, and others to benefit included hospitals and the Lord Mayor's Fund for the Relief of Distress in China. Smaller donations were also made to 30 other institutions, and financial aid was given to assist in the care of blind, deaf and crippled children, the dispatch of Christmas parcels, assistance in the promotion of occupational industries for the physically handicapped, and 10 Doctor Barnardo's Homes.

## ASSISTING THE YOUNG

Throughout the world there are many boys and girls who have made good and received their start in life through the benevolence of this ancient City Company. Whether it was by apprenticeship to the Company or due to the fact they obtained a first-class education at Bancroft's School for Boys or Howells' Schools for Girls, they were well equipped to face the complexities of life. The Drapers' Company allocated £200,000 for the rebuilding of Bancroft's School when it moved from Mile End to Woodford in Essex. At a later date, a further £40,000 was donated for extension.

In these difficult times it is good to know that so many come under the protective wing of the City Companies. In charitable and educational work the Drapers' Company, in keeping with others, is doing a magnificent job by helping those with slender means to educate their children by throwing open the doors to fine schools by means of scholarships and by donating large sums of money where it is needed most. The City Companies, true to tradition, carry on their good work just as they have done for many hundreds of years. It is fitting that the motto of the Worshipful Company of Drapers should be "Unto God Only Be Honour and Glory."

## SIDE GLANCES

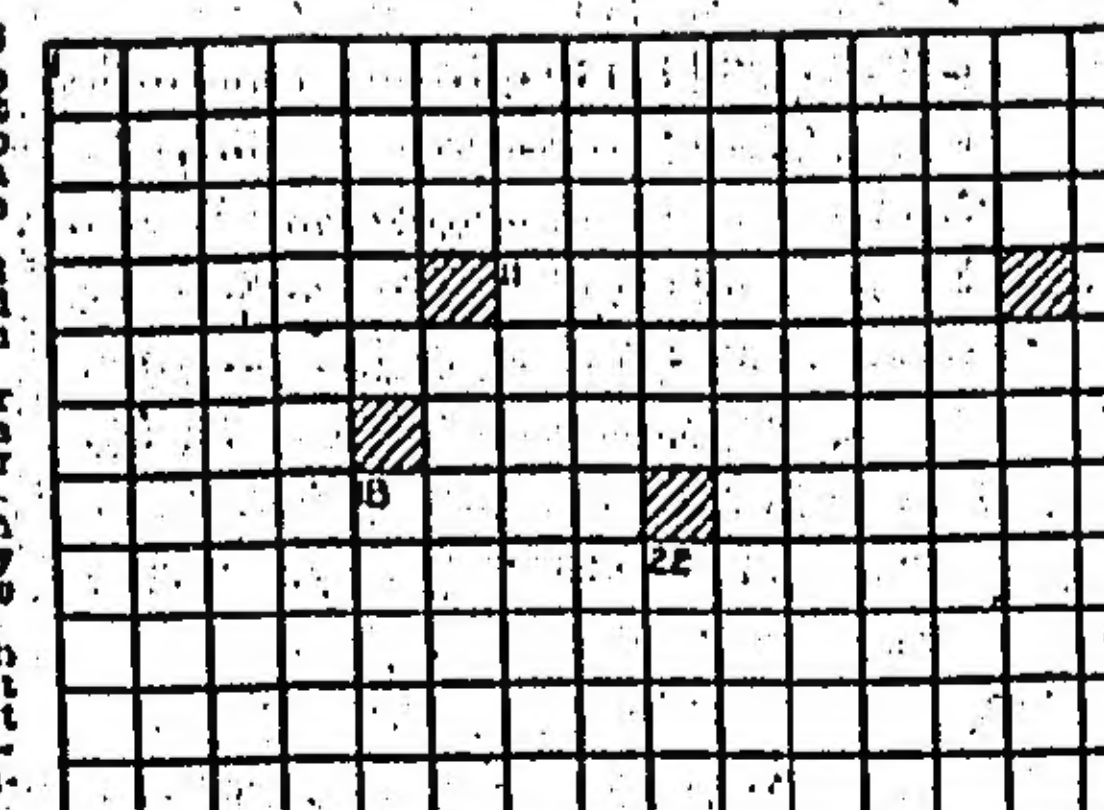
By Galbraith



"One of them will kiss you good night and the other has a mean left hook—I wish there was some other way of telling them apart!"

## Skeleton Crossword

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  - A beautiful slightly different.
  - The better takes a turn under the table.
  - The foreign role is only a in a here.
  - A person a fact without that's non-sense.
  - Our notions of perfection may upset ladies.
  - It makes a waste-pipe look slightly different.
  - Orphaned painter.
  - In this sort of press a drain on our paper resources?
  - It takes half a day and most of the gold to get a man from Asia.
  - An alternative mineral we hear.
  - An aged parent, notably short.
  - Where a library would thrive by the look of it.
  - For three sales profundity when the writers follow.
  - The warrior and the beginning of Indian life in a chip.



IN the Skeleton Crossword the black squares and clue numbers are left for the solver to fill in, as well as the words. Four black squares and four clue numbers have been inserted to give you a start.

The black squares form a symmetrical design, so that the left-hand side of the puzzle corresponds with the right-hand side and the top half is a reflection of the bottom half. You can therefore fill in ten more black squares at once to correspond with those given.

No words of fewer than three letters are used, so if across must be a three-letter word, it is the fifth across word from the beginning; the corresponding word in the lower half of the puzzle will be the fifth across word from the end, 21 across.

Reasoning in this manner, you can complete the puzzle, as you solve the clues.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

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EVERY SATURDAY

## WOMANSENSE FULL-PAGE FEATURE

## Plastics Boom In America

NEW YORK.

Scientists in the plastics and plywood industries are working at top speed these days to meet an unprecedented demand of the American homebuilder for new and more wearable materials.

It looks as though the old-fashioned wall coverings, such as paper or paint on plaster, are out.

New homes are going up all over the country and more and more are being rebuilt with walls of plywood. Plastic materials also are being used for the floorings, doors, cabinets and in some cases, the ceilings.

The expense of installing plywood is currently greater than wall paper or painted plaster, but in comparison with ordinary wooden panels, the plywood is cheaper.

This is the story from spokesmen in the two industries, who report that the American homebuilder is going to demand more and more of science to give him a better dwelling.

## Washable Walls

In plywood walls, bonded with synthetic resins, or plastics, the home owner will have walls that can be cleaned easily with a damp cloth. Even junior's crayon marks can be quickly wiped away.

He can have these walls in any veneer finishing he desires—Mahogany, Oak, Koa, Pine, Walnut or Birch. The makers say they will last forever.

Floorings, too, are being made of plastic material, with any such design that a home builder wants. The Bakelite Corporation is making a type of plastic window curtains or draperies that you can touch a cigarette to and they won't burn. You clean them merely by using that damp cloth. They are somewhat expensive now, but the company says the price will come down.

## Plastic Chairs

Table tops, living room chairs are being made of plastics—treated against fire and scratch. There may not be any need for coasters for those highballs. The new type table top will be alcohol resistant, no stains, no scratches.

The history of plastics goes back many years when the discovery was made that a mixture of carbolic acid and formaldehyde—in the proper proportions—when heated, left a synthetic resin. Since then it has been developed until thousands of items, such as your telephone, are made of plastic material.

It is only since the war ended, however, that the concentration on plastics for the home has been so great.

Said Allan Brown, vice president of the Bakelite Corporation.

"Plastics as exemplified by these applications is a down-to-earth present day decoration. Its functional beauty in home interiors, whether in the kitchen, bathroom, living room, playroom, den or outside porch, is a realization of plastic's role in the home of today and in index of its value in the home of tomorrow."—United Press.



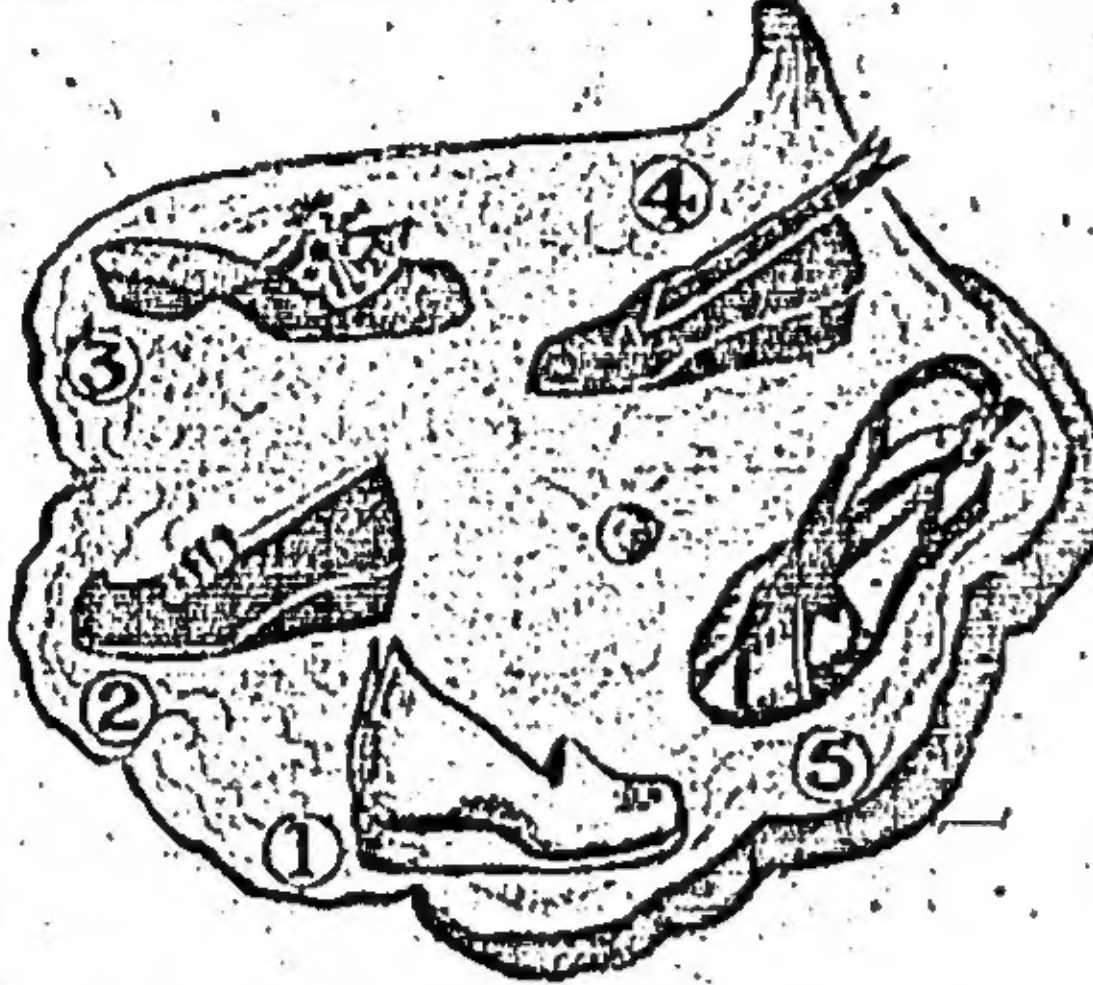
The outfit above, in dark blue and yellow, was among the striking fashions seen at Wimbledon this year.

## STRIKE A NEW FOOT-NOTE

by PATRICIA LENNARD

Nestling on the half shell are five shoes in the news. The Little Indian (1), a wedge-heeled squarely toed shoe, has the high back pointed and slashed. The colour range includes neutrals like off-white, grey and cocoa. This shoe was also shown recently in gold kid—for sports-wear—with gold kid belt and sling bag as sports accessories.

America uses gold kid for a sliver-thin sandals and belts to accompany neutral coloured linen and pure silk sports outfits. A shoe in rough tweed woven with a gold thread is also fashionable. There is a lot of new, but not for Britain, yet. An Italian import (2) is also wedge-heeled. It is a walking shoe in suede, feather-light and easy as a glove. The classic design is given a new twist, by working the upper into a tip-tilted sabot toe. The house-stuff in black velvet (3) is an eye-catcher. The pink-gingham lining is matched to the skirt of the miniature rag doll made of bits of wool and gingham which adorns the upper. One of the trimmest, wedge-heeled shoes to be seen later this year will be No. 4, made in many colours. Its simple lines are perked up by an all-round turn-down cuff, ending in a couple of slippers. It's name? Follow Me. From an exhibition of new ideas in men's clothing comes the Indian sandal (5). In brown reversed calf, Men's sandals and a brief popularity just before the war; this sandal is one of the first of its kind to be seen again in London.



Already well ahead with their autumn collections the houses have shown a strong determination to reduce prices and yet strive to keep up to the standard of their richer and more fashionable neighbours. Lending the way in the lower-priced fields is designer Horace Lindley whose prices range from a day-dress priced HK\$20 to a model cocktail suit for HK\$60. The low prices, simple styles and excellent quality of all fabric used have made his Lindz dresses an important feature of the home and export market.

## Expert Lists Ways To Keep Food Fresh

By GEORGIE RODGERS

(Principal, Good Housekeeping School of Cookery)

**WOMEN** who do not possess a cool larder or refrigerator will find these hints useful for keeping perishable food fresh and wholesome.

A meat safe is a good investment. It should be hung on a wall facing N or NE if possible, where it will not catch the sun. It should be away from any gullies or dustbins, and should have through ventilation. If the only suitable position is sunny, a wet sack should be hung over the safe—this will keep it cool. In very hot weather the sack should be wrung out in cold water morning and evening.

## ICE AND SALT

Keep all perishable goods in the safe, so that they will be cool and safe at reach of flies and bluebottles. To keep the larder or meat safe fresh, it should be wiped out daily with a cloth wrung out in soda water. Keep larder windows open and cover with net to keep out flies. Stand a bucket or large dish of ice in the larder or safe to keep the atmosphere cool. This ice will last longer if a handful of coarse salt is mixed with it. Fats and milk can be placed directly on the ice; also a bottle of squash for cold drinks.

If ice is unavailable, jellies and blancmanges can be set by standing the mould or basin in a large bowl of cold water to which has been added two tablespoons of common salt and washing soda.

FATS should be stored in butter coolers, or earthenware plant pots. Soak the pot in cold water, then stand completely over the plate or basin of fat. Tesco's butter cooler or flower-pot morning and evening. A butter cooler can be improvised

by placing the butter in a jar and standing this in a deep basin of cold water to which three tablespoons of common salt have been added. Cover the jar with a piece of muslin, allowing the ends to dip in the water and stand on the floor, which is cooler than an upper shelf.

MILK can be kept in the same way, covering with muslin or flower-pot. The water should be changed every day, and twice a day in really hot weather. Now milk should never be added to the old, unless it is to be used at once. CHEESE keeps best if wrapped in greaseproof paper in an airy place, or wrapped in muslin dipped in vinegar.

BREAD should be wrapped in a clean dry cloth and kept in a well-ventilated earthenware or enamel breadpan. Keep the lid tilted if the pan has no air-holes. The pan should be wiped out daily with a dry cloth, and washed and dried thoroughly once a week.

## USE MUSLIN

MEAT will keep in the larder if hung on a meat hook and covered with muslin, or in the meat safe if placed on a trivet standing on a dish and covered with muslin. Meat should not sit in its own juices, as this causes rapid deterioration.

BACON will keep better if cooked.

FISH goes bad very quickly in hot weather, and should only be bought when it can be cooked at once.

VEGETABLES are best bought freshly as required. If they have to be stored use an airy vegetable rack, or keep in baskets on the floor.

LETTUCES will keep crisp and fresh in a basin covered with a plate, or in a saucepan covered with a lid.

## Serve One Hot Dish To Vary Picnic Fare

By DIXIE TAYLOR

Hongkong residents who can manage transportation are having frequent meals on the beach these days.

It may be a Sunday, fifth, a ten, or for families without children, supper eaten after the moon has come up.

The usual picnic fare is cold, consisting of such things as sandwiches, hard-boiled eggs, perhaps a roast chicken, a drink, sweet biscuit, and fruit. Such a repast requires a minimum of cutlery, a boon if you are crowded for space on your trips to the beach.

However, there is no reason why your menu should not include at least one hot dish. Foods prepared in a heat resistant glass casserole or heavy baking pan will stay warm several hours if they are cooked just before departure and wrapped in several layers of newspaper or wrapping paper.

## HAM AND POTATOES

Here is a recipe for Scalloped Ham and Potatoes, a dish substantial enough to satisfy the hungriest of swimmers or sun-bathers.

4 large potatoes  
2 cups milk  
1½ cups ham

Use the bits left on a baked ham after you've sliced the bulk, or buy a slice of raw cured ham. Uncooked ham gives a better flavour, but the leftover is satisfactory.

Slice the potatoes, paper thin, crosswise, and soak in salted water 15 minutes. Cut the ham into one-inch pieces.

Cooking on the beaches is not popular in the Colony, and perhaps that's just as well since most places are crowded.

If you find an isolated spot, however, no beach fare is better than roast steak. Use sliced steak and cook it over coals on a bit of wire, a grill, or a long fork. Serve between slices of buttered bread or, better still, the spiral Vienna loaves which have been split. Don't forget to take along salt and pepper.

Hot dogs and other sausages can be cooked the same way. An odd trick, familiar to Australians, is to bake potatoes in the hot ashes.

## Women's Council Meets Thursday

Leaders of the new Hongkong Council of Women hope for representation from all sections of the women's community at the Council's first general meeting, to be held at 5.15 p.m. on August 7 at the Duddell Street Y.W.C.A.

## LONDON HAS DRESSES AT LOW PRICES

LONDON.

Just around the corner from the swank houses of Molyneux and Hartnell lie the clothing grounds of the housewife, the smaller dress shops which cater for the slender income.

Already well ahead with their autumn collections the houses have shown a strong determination to reduce prices and yet strive to keep up to the standard of their richer and more fashionable neighbours.

Lending the way in the lower-priced fields is designer Horace Lindley whose prices range from a day-dress priced HK\$20 to a model cocktail suit for HK\$60. The low prices, simple styles and excellent quality of all fabric used have made his Lindz dresses an important feature of the home and export market.

Catchy names—Manhattan, First Date, St. Andrews—Increase a woman's interest in her clothes. Out to find a crepe woolen frock for cool afternoons, a young girl couldn't do better than purchase a dress in mid-Victorian style with detachable white collar and cuffs. Pleated frilling gives a shawl effect and the skirt of this "Robin Hood" model is very full.

This autumn, fashion features will be the new dropped waistline with the fullness coming from the hips, liberal use of pleats unpressed or otherwise, and the three-quarter length sleeve.

For evening wear the ballet length frock is becoming increasingly popular. "Ballerina" is the name given to a delightful pastel coloured "ballet" length dinner gown. The bodice is hand-smocked, and the hem stiffened to give added swing. A tie-belt is added for further comfort.

One of the more expensive cocktail suits, "Manhattan" has a bell-shaped jacket with clusters of horizontal "tucks, fullness at back of the jacket and inverted pleats in the skirt. In the mode and not expensive when you compare the price to the Mayfair current charge of HK\$75 or more.

The "sweater-top" makes clothes easy to get into and out of, and "Jester" is a woollen dress with sweater top and laced up shoulders with metal tassels. There are no tucks around the waistline but a nipped effect carried out through the belt at the back.

The dress has a pleated skirt.

Few people are not air-minded in these days of flying, so "Heath Row" titled a 14 button-through dress. A leather belt with two buckles is fitted over the dress with overlaid panels.

If you are going racing, then don a light jumper suit called "Tatter-sail" with nine buttons, a roll collar and a tuck-in scarf.—United Press.

## Robb

RITA

HAYWORTH

JOINS THE

20" WAIST

CLIENTS

By no means for Every woman is this new dress which Rita Hayworth has just bought from the much-publicised new French designer Christian Dior.

For Dior makes it a condition of sale that clients who buy his evening dresses also buy his wasp-waist corset—a belt of pale pink satin slips, deep.

Dior didn't find it easy to secure models for his clothes, as he also insists on waists not more than 20ins.

Miss Hayworth's waist measurement: "Under 20ins."



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## Low Waists Are Popular At Home

Return of the low waistline is being hailed by fashion writers in Britain. It is achieved by a bolero effect.

The style has been shown in several London collections, but because it is disguised as the "fitting torso" silhouette, women have not recognised it for what it is.

Examples of this new hip line by Rosebelle Gilbert include one in white chiffon with pin tucks in a crisscross design above a full skirt. The draped neckline is finished by pearl clips and sloping shoulders accent the delicately-puffed sleeves.

The accentuation of the bustline is apparent in all these models. On one it is achieved by a bolero effect—the way the material is gathered to a centre seam on this dress is particularly attractive. The skirt, all in front with a rounded hemline, is in a style which is growing in popularity.

On another gown the fullness is achieved by draping loose panels which are flung over each shoulder. Yet another has the fullness suggested by the now popular cap-sleeve cut in one with the back of the high bodice with a low front décolletage.



# AN AMERICAN INVASION

By WILLIAM HICKEY

FAVOURITE roosting perch of visiting American sailors all through their recent tour was Piccadilly statue of Eros, replaced just in time for this naval occasion.

Happy, contented, their jaws working overtime, there they sat, apparently hypnotised by London's traffic swirling round them. Quick census of pudding-basin-capped heads one afternoon: 37. There were a few girls, too. About 37.

DEMANDING an entrance fee few men would be prepared to pay, the world's most exclusive club held its 6th annual dinner. I refer to the Guinea Pig Club every member of which has had some facial embroidery, as they call it, carried out for him by plastic surgeon Sir ARCHIBALD McINDOE, the club's permanent life president, whose belated knighthood was recently announced.

There was KEN BROWN, who, in the Pigs own nonchalant lingo, "had eye trouble early on" and HARRY CROMBIE, who "stopped a packet in the face and returned lately to the Sty for a further slugging;" and BRIAN BIRKS, who "got his face minced up in a fast-revolving aircrew" and scores of others.

These boys are incomparable, imperturbable, irresistible. Recently, one advertised "Lost between The Crown and Blackwell Hollow. Blue artificial eye answering to name of Joey. Finder generously rewarded. Box 354."

Let us hope Joey came back.

FROM (say) Sao Paulo, a Brazilian textile merchant embarks a London company to fix up 10 appointments. He has a car at the airport, reserve a private office for him in their building, supply a Spanish speaking stenographer, make hotel arrangements, book two stalls for "Annie Get Your Gun," and send some roses to that nice Miss Tanageray he danced with in Rio last winter.

All this will be undertaken by an organisation of half a dozen demobbed types (headed by Mr PETER TAYLOR ex-R.A.F.), who have pooled brains, faith, courage and cash in an idea which shows the right idea.

WHILE many gardeners complain about being stuck on an almost static waiting-list for a new lawnmower, Mr A. P. EASTON, of Hopton, Dis, laments to me that he cannot get rid of one of the confounded things. Somebody should not let the grass grow under his feet.

DOING untold harm to Britain's potential tourist business is the shabby, lackadaisical, type of country hotel at which I dined recently.

Complaints: (1) Soup tepid, powdery, served on cold plates. (2) "Cold meats" (admittedly an alternative choice) turned out to be canned bully beef, suffering somewhat from the weather. (3) Coffee, at a shilling a head, was lukewarm, weak, with skin of boiled milk floating on top.

The sweet was very good. But I defy anyone to go too far off the rails with stewed rhubarb.

I REGRET to announce that the published motto of the Frank Sinatra Fan Club in Britain is "Per Ardua Sinatras."

Rinse, please.

## BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

THE Ministry of Bubble-blowing has just announced a cut in the rations for silkworms. This means fewer silkworms' eggs. "Silk" stockings will now be made from imported dried silkworms' eggs, to save shipping space.

### Evans and the pea

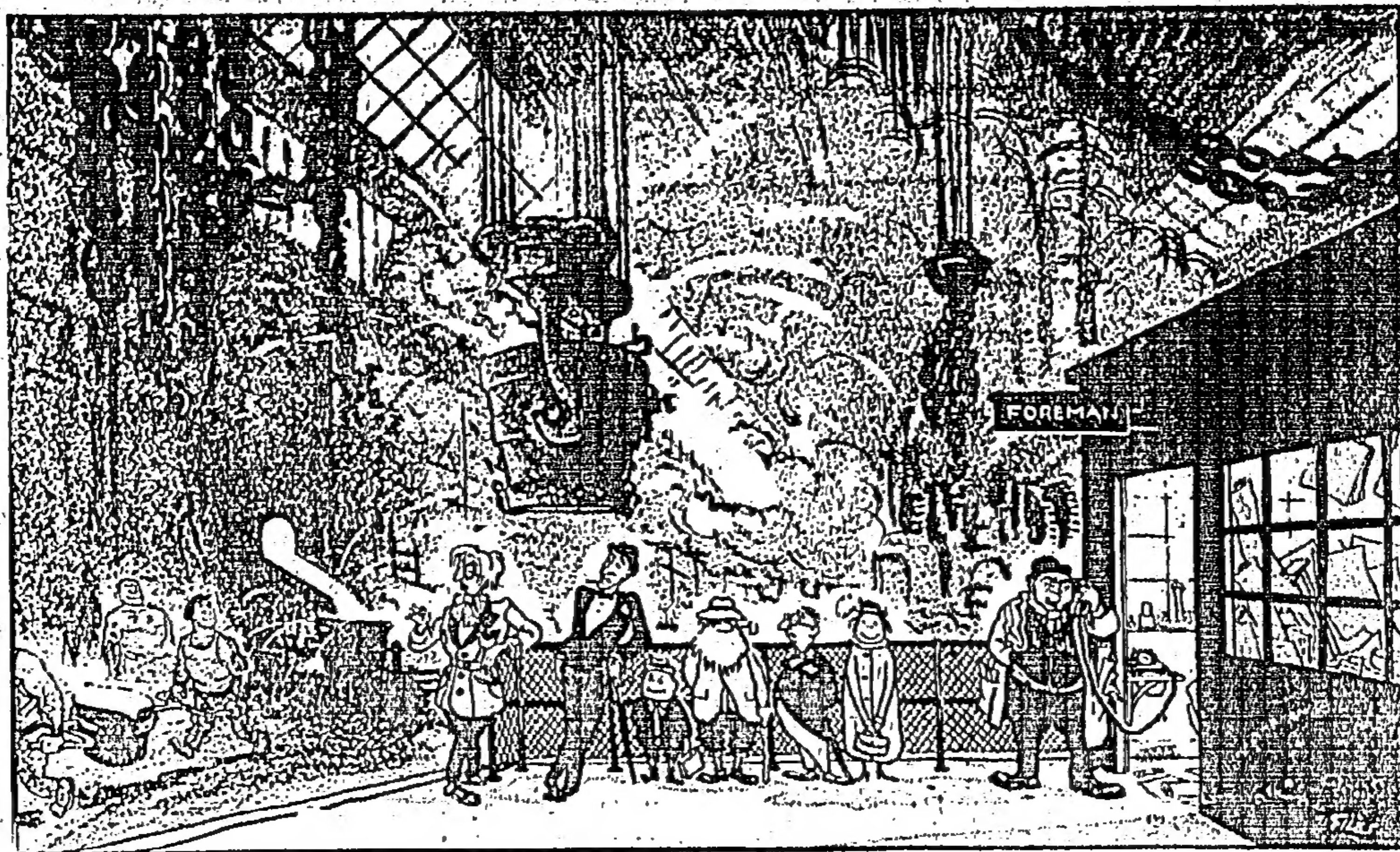
EVANS the Hearse, of Abernaber has started training for the pea-pushing season. His nose is massaged twice a day with fish-oil. Yesterday, he did a trial run from Llanberis. His time over 40 yards was 72 minutes, with a following wind, which sometimes blew the pea ahead of his nose. He uses a pea specially grown by Mrs Wyddfa of Eryri House, Conway. Watchers on the Aberystwyth and Rhy-du passes thought Evans was inclined to slice his pusses, but that may have been due to the wind, or to a slight scratch on his nose, due to contact with a small rock.

### A brave attempt

FAMILY BLAZES tone-poem, "The Cabmen of Huntingdonshire," based on the famous List, was performed for the first time in public yesterday. It is a monologue work, but perhaps the task it attempts is an impossible one. How is a composer to suggest the different names and initials without becoming dull? It is true that the programme note is a useful guide, but there is something too fantastic in such statements as "These the tranquil quality of the music and the restraint of the woodwind seem to suggest Enbleton, E. or Fettermere, G. S. L."

### Marginal note

THE "clink" is to become a "military corrective establishment," staffed by psychiatrists. Kipling's poem "Cells" will have to be brought up to date. And I'm here in the military corrective establishment. For a thundering drink. And bleeding. The (corporal's) psychiatrist's eye.



"Is that the Direction of Labour into Industry Department? Well, about these six new heavy steel workers you've sent us..."

## The background story of the romance of ELIZABETH and PHILIP

The first meeting: Falling in love: After that it was always Philip: When he proposed, and what the Princess said to her friends

by a Court Correspondent

WHAT is he like? What is she like? What are they like together? I will tell you their story as I know it.

Their first meeting took place so long ago that you might think neither of them would remember it. But they do.

Princess Elizabeth was six years old at the time, Prince Philip was 11, and the occasion was a family luncheon given by King George V and Queen Mary at Buckingham Palace.

The Prince and Princess were introduced, and because a girl of six is scared of a boy of 11, and he in turn is a little scornful of "girls" in general, the conversation was reduced to the barest essentials.

If they had been ten years older people would have said that the meeting was not a success. In fact, they both left the Palace that day and almost forgot they had ever seen one another, until they met again years later at the Coronation in 1937.

Here they spoke again, and perhaps encouraged by the thought of having met before, the talk ran more easily this time.

A friend asked Prince Philip after the ceremony whether he thought Princess Elizabeth looked very sweet. He replied non-committally, "Oh, yes."

### Years passed, they seldom met

The years passed, and except for an occasional meeting in the company of Queen Mary or the Duchess of Kent, Elizabeth and Philip saw little of each other. He was at school and she had lessons at home.

The difference between the two in these years is marked. Elizabeth worked studiously and with real enthusiasm at her lessons. Prince Philip, we are told by his schoolmasters, was only a moderate scholar, and preferred games.

Elizabeth disliked games. It was a long time before she could be persuaded to take an interest in tennis.

Even today she rarely plays, and she is not fond of golf, either. Her favourite childhood recreations were riding and swimming, painting, and collecting a large menagerie of toy dogs and horses. Each day she would give her menagerie an airing in Hamilton Gardens by the side of Hyde Park.

### Golden-haired little girl

She was a pretty little girl with golden hair and blue eyes. She always had a desire to share everything she had with others.

She could not bear to receive a gift while one of her friends had to go without. On many occasions she has been known to turn to a child standing near her and say, "You have this. I would rather you had it."

She loved dancing and was naturally good at it, and her knowledge of history and literature was excellent. She was beautifully brought up.

But, of course, there came the day when she realised that it was she whom the people crowded to see take walks each day, or drive with her nurse to see "Grandpa England."

and Granny Mary at Buckingham Palace. She was pleased that it should be so.

It was at this time, on a visit to Olympia with Queen Mary, that she remarked, "Won't the people be pleased to see me when we leave?" The answer to this was that she was sent straight home with her nurse, leaving by a side door to avoid the crowds!

There was, however, little pride about Elizabeth, and she soon began to realise the responsibility of her position.

She began to change into the quiet, thoughtful girl, yet with the sense of humour we know today.

If one compares her early years with those of the Princess Royal, one finds that Princess Elizabeth lived a much more unsheltered life, yet her circle of friends was limited.

The most frequent visitors to her parents home in Piccadilly were fair-haired, petite Lady Elizabeth Lambart, and Sonia Graham Hodgson, the daughter of the King's radiologist.

### Hide-and-seek in the garden

Lady Elizabeth Lambart had singing classes with the Princess while Miss Graham Hodgson shared her French and dancing lessons. The three met daily to play in the gardens at the back of 145 Piccadilly.

There, oblivious of the crowd peering through the railings, they would play "hide-and-seek," "sardines" and "horace."

Other young friends were Viscount Allendale's daughter, Ella, who married Viscount Morpeth two years ago, Zoe d'Arville, the Hon. Margaret Elphinstone, and Winifred Hardinge, whose father, Viscount Hardinge, became the King's Private Secretary.

One day, racing round the gravel paths of this garden, Princess Elizabeth called out to a friend: "I have thought of a new game! I'll call you 'Lilibet' and then the people will think you are me!"

The crowd was delighted! Another time when she heard a servant address a friend as "Miss," she was surprised and exclaimed, "Why didn't she call you 'Your Royal Highness'?"

### Childhood days were shortened

But childhood days don't last, and the abdication of Edward VIII shortened Elizabeth's childhood. Her comment to a friend was: "Well, I suppose papa will become King instead of silly Uncle David, but we shall hate leaving Piccadilly."

The word "silly" was used affectionately, for the Duke of Windsor has always been Elizabeth's favourite uncle.

Then came the excitement of the Coronation and the thrill of walking round the nursery with a tablecloth pinned to her shoulders, instead of the small train she would wear at the ceremony.

Now came changes in her life, more than anyone would have dreamed possible. Quite adequately, and with little fuss, she stepped into her place as the Heir-Prumptive to the Throne.

The first Buckingham Palace Company of Girl Guides was started. In this troop all the children she had grown up with, and many new friends, met every week to learn the Morse code, tracking, and the intricacies of knots.

### Philip's passion for the sea

What was Prince Philip doing all these years?

In a sense, he was tying knots, too, for he had developed a passion for the sea. Encouraged by his masters, he built a cutter with some friends, and sailed it round the Hebrides. He was ship's cook.

He liked to spend hours in a small Scottish harbour, listening to the tales of the fishermen, and looking over their boats.

The fishermen knew him as a friend, but few knew that the tall lad who peered there for stories of the sea was a prince.

Sometimes they were too busy to talk and then he would go off on his own and read tales of adventure on the high seas.

Encouraged by his uncle, Lord Louis Mountbatten, with whom he spent most of his holidays, Prince Philip was entered for the Royal Naval College, Dartmouth. Here he won the King's Dirk for the best cadet.

For the next few years he was "wrapped up" in his job. He was happy at sea, and his life-long friend and cousin, the Marquis of Milford Haven, was a naval officer, too.

### Met again at a dance

It was while on leave, at the beginning of the war, that Philip met his future bride once more. They were both guests at a small dance given by the Duchess of Kent at her house near Iwer, Bucks.

Being older than they should be, dance together quite a lot?

And that was how it all started. All girls discuss young men, and Elizabeth and her friends were no exception. So it soon became common knowledge that a tall, blond and handsome young naval officer called Philip was her favourite.

Luckily his appearance came up to the high standard she had once set herself many years before when she said: "When I marry, my husband will have to be very tall and very good-looking."

Some time later, when a friend pointed out that she might have to marry for political reasons, she replied, "I couldn't marry a man I didn't love."

### As romantic as any girl

Princess Elizabeth was as romantic as any other girl when it came to choosing a man to share her life.

But things did not seem to be going very well as far as this romance was concerned, and her girl friends at times shook their heads.

Philip went to stay at Windsor Castle often enough on his leaves. But nothing was said, and it looked as though their friendship was to remain strictly platonic.

Of course, he wasn't the only man in whom she took an interest. There were the young Guards officers stationed at Windsor who came to the dances given by the King and Queen and danced with the Princess.

There were men she met at friends' parties whom she thought good-looking. But those who knew her well realised that in the end it was always Philip.

Gradually, everything began to develop. He gave her a large photograph of himself in an open-necked cricket shirt. She put this in a prominent place in her bedroom.

They began to write to each other, and the letters became more and more frequent.

And then, almost before they knew it themselves, the thing that all their friends had hoped for happened—they were in love.

That summer Philip spent his leave with the Royal Family in Scotland, and the first engagement rumours were published, only to be denied cautiously from the Palace.

Elizabeth, embarrassed beyond belief at having her hopes disclosed, and Philip, shy and unsure of himself, read the news and laughed it off to one another as best they could.

### Gossip could not spoil it

Once again it looked as though things were at a standstill.

This time it was not for long. Above everything, the pair were firm friends, and friendship could not be spoiled by gossip.

So they continued to see one another. But they were discreet about it.

They went to parties, but did not dance together. They were careful not to be photographed together, and a wall of secrecy was built.

When friends asked either of them if they were going to marry, their answers were the same.

"What do you think?" they said. And strangely enough they didn't even know the answer themselves until two months ago, when she returned from South Africa, because it wasn't until then that he plucked up the courage to propose! She accepted.

"I'm over the moon," she exclaimed joyfully to one close friend. "Philip and I think we're the happiest people in the world."

Between then and the day of the official announcement he continued to visit her secretly at the Palace. The secrecy was necessary to stop the rumours.

When the ladies-in-waiting were questioned by friends they replied, "We just don't know a thing." And it was true, they didn't.

### Wedding in November

But now the news is out, and the interest is centred on the couple's future plans, which are, after all, not so very different from those of any other engaged pair.

They will live in the country. The wedding will probably be in November at Westminster Abbey. The present list of bridesmaids includes Princess Margaret, Princess Alexandra of Kent, and Miss Pamela Mountbatten, while Prince Michael of Kent will act as page.

Another point, Lieutenant Mountbatten will remain in the Navy, although he will probably be given a shore job in London.

Well, that is the story of their romance, a story that is news because it concerns two people of royal blood, but which does not differ fundamentally from any other romance since the world began.

And because of the devotion we have felt towards Princess Elizabeth throughout her life, and because of the happiness that will certainly be hers, her friends and the nation wish both her and Lieutenant Philip Mountbatten long life, good health and every happiness.

## A LETTER FROM AMERICA

# MOLOTOV'S 'NO' STIFFENS U.S.

By GERALD JOHNSON

BALTIMORE. THE American, never slow to attribute the highest motives to himself, has been helped in that exercise by Molotov's rejection of the Marshall Plan. Fair-minded people have hitherto been ashamed to denounce Russia too violently. But such Americans believe that Secretary Marshall's offer was fair, honest and equitable.

His brusque rejection has relieved them of any obligation to curb their dislike of Communism, and they can henceforth hate Russia with clear conscience.

They are doing so by millions.

Molotov has tossed aside more than a certain amount of American money. He has also tossed aside many Americans' hesitation to listen to the Red-baiters who are predicting war with Russia with something much like jubilation.

### Ticklish work

MARSHALL is in a better position since the rejection. A Republican Congress likes the plan more with Russia left out, for it is less explosive politically.

Even at that, it will be ticklish work to persuade American people to accept something like wartime restrictions on their purchases in order that goods may go to Europe.

To date they have been thinking of the offer in terms of money; when they realise that what Marshall really is offering is wheat, steel, coal and beef that they could use themselves their enthusiasm may cool perceptibly.

### Popular Princess

AT this moment the U.S. is hypersensitive on the subject of Greece, and Lieutenant Philip Mountbatten's connection with that country may evoke some ill-natured comment—but not much.

Literate Americans are aware that in modern times a royal marriage is without political significance.

Even the professional Anglophobes cannot make headway against the great popularity of Princess Elizabeth, who long ago won the good will of the country by her personal charm.

Therefore the announcement of her engagement aroused an interest warm and friendly far beyond that usually attaching to such events.

### Saucer 'theories'

WHEN reports came in of objects like flying saucers in the sky over the north-western part of the country, there was a moment of apprehension, because the Japanese did drop a few incendiary bombs in that region during the war.

But by the time nervous old people of both sexes had reported flying saucers in the skies in 43 States the scientists stopped explaining and the comedians took over.

Two theories most in vogue now are that the objects are pennies from heaven with which to pay the sales tax; or that Petrillo, boss of the musicians' union, is throwing away gramophone records.

### Coal goes up

JOHN LEWIS, miners' leader, has won a new wage scale that will add 75 cents to the cost of a ton of coal.

Since the price of coal enters into the price of nearly everything else the effect of this must be inflationary. Yet the economic prophets have been so consistently wrong for the past year and a half that they are wary of predicting anything.

Last year all signs usually relied on pointed to a depression beginning in February. Yet at the beginning of this month it had not arrived.

On the contrary, the stock market was creeping up, unemployment was at a minimum, the National Debt had been reduced 4 per cent during the fiscal year and the Treasury had a surplus.

The cost of living was high, but showed some signs of stabilisation, and the wheat crop had broken all records for volume without breaking the market price.

### Income-tax tussle

THE Republicans are determined to reduce income tax. They have re-passed a Bill vetoed by President Truman, altered only to make it take effect next January instead of at once.

The President will doubtless veto it again.

First, because it gives most relief in higher categories. Secondly, because he believes the Government will require large sums next year to implement the Marshall Plan, and he thinks it better to tax than to borrow in a period of high prosperity.

But a two-thirds majority necessary to pass it over the veto may be available this time, which would mean more trouble for Marshall.

## 30 Girls Want To Be Pilots

Thirty British girls, all between 18 and 20, who prefer planes to the pictures, spent a day recently trying to win a flying scholarship.

Flying a 60-m.p.h. dual-control aircraft, each of the girls held the "stick" while an instructor seated beside them noted their reactions. They climbed, they banked, they watched the ground swirl round 200 feet below—and some felt a little sick as the aircraft hit air pockets which the sun had created.

The tests took place at Elstree, Herts, Sharnham, Sussex, and Barton, Lancs.

Daphne Brown, of Croydon, a bookkeeper, and Joyce Pantony, of Lewisham, a bank clerk—both only 16—decided at Elstree that flying was the biggest thrill of their lives.

All the girls, members of the Women's Junior Air Corps, had already passed a written examination.

Those who survived the test qualified for the final round of the scholarship competition, a flying lesson and a personal interview with the W.J.A.C. authorities. Two will get scholarships—free training (worth more than £50) for a pilot's "A" licence.

## Shakespeare Lost £5,993

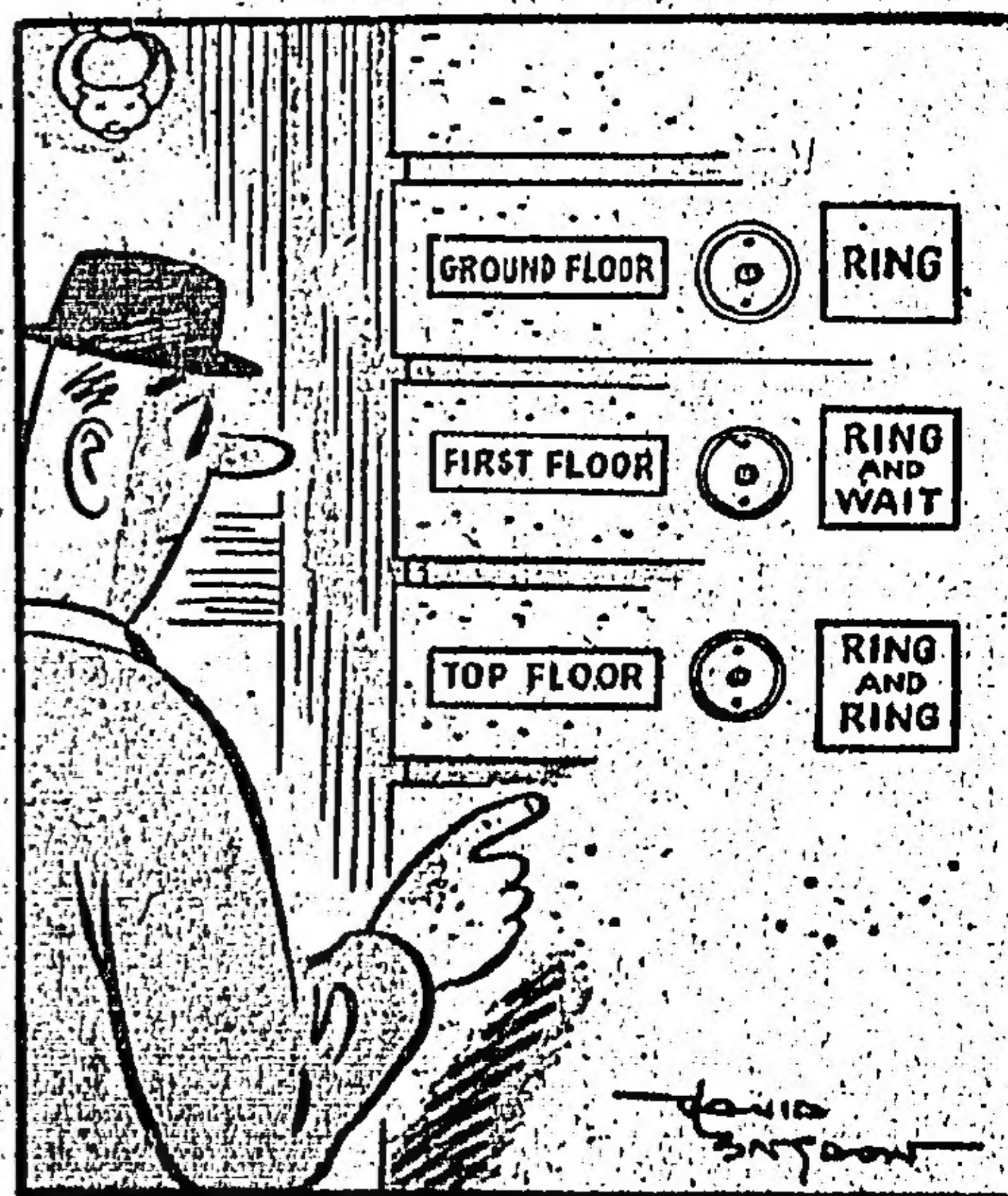
When a £5,993 loss was reported at the annual meeting of Governors of the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre at Stratford-on-Avon, Capt. A. S. Cunningham-Reid said it was time for many of the executives to be "hard-baked business men and women."

Lord Iliffe, who presided, protested when Captain Cunningham-Reid said the salary account did not include everybody and referred to "people macquerading in false beards."

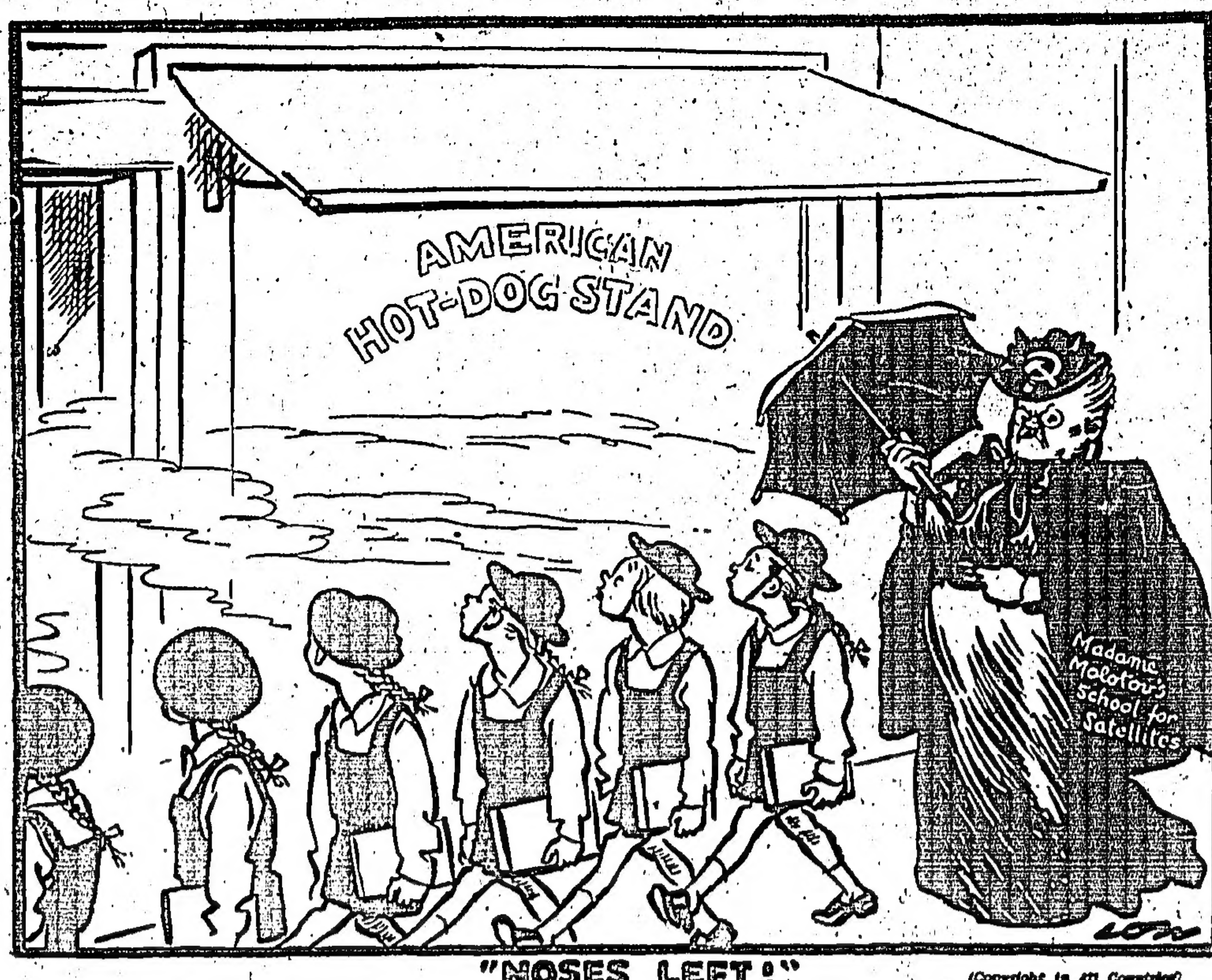
The executive was re-elected, with the addition of Mr. Emile Littler.

The nomination of Captain Cunningham-Reid, by Mr. S. H. Shakespeare, was ruled out of order. "Most unfair," commented Captain Cunningham-Reid.

## DAVID LANGDON CARTOON







## TRANSPORT NEEDS ARE PRESSING

— By "Candidus" —

MY reference to monopolies last week stirred up considerable comment, and the Star Ferry Company came in for the lion's share of criticism. I must admit that after crossing the harbour on a recent evening shortly after 5 p.m. (at least, I reached the ferry pier shortly after five) my gorge did rise somewhat. It was during the rush hour. For the sake of accuracy, perhaps I should refer to it as the slow hour, for the inadequate service certainly slowed up the homeward progress of thousands of people.

When I arrived at my destination in Kowloon I was asked why I had not taken a ferry before five o'clock. Apparently, some people are able to get away in order to escape the ordeal—but what about the thousands who cannot do so?

Pushing, squeezing, waiting! And in the most enervating heat!

And once aboard! Doubtless the ferries observe a safety factor in the matter of loading, but I shudder to think what would happen should a steamer or other heavy vessel collide with one of those densely packed ferries. As far as I could see, there were nearly as many passengers standing as there were sitting. Perhaps somebody counts, or in other manner measures the human cargo. Possibly the Sworn Measurers assist (which might account for the first word of their title). In any case, travelling to Kowloon during certain hours is an unpleasant ordeal on account of the congestion and the natural eagerness of people to reach their homes.

Of course I knew that ferries cannot be built within a few weeks, but it is nearly two years since they resumed their restricted service. To worsen the crowding and confusion, I am told that smaller ancillary services which in previous days served outlying districts adjacent to the harbour have not as yet resumed, thus compelling many additional people to use the Star ferries.

I would hazard the guess that finance is not the obstacle in the way of increasing the Company's present "rolling stock" for the millions of people carried at double pre-war fares surely provide quite an impressive sum.

At the end of the war, various types of landing craft could have been secured to augment the Company's depleted fleet of ferries. Indeed, such vessels were employed

Mr Reynolds is not a Jew. The League's president, Senator Guy M. Gillette, who receives £1,250 a year for his services, is not a Jew. Nor are Mr Louis Bromfield, Mr Will Rogers, Junior, and Congressman Andrew L. Somers, three of the League's five listed chairmen. The actress Ruth Chatterton is non-Jewish and a vice-chairman. Each of these people has given tax-free contributions to the organisation in amounts up to £125.

Elliott Roosevelt helps

There are many more. Mr Paul O'Dwyer, Irishman and brother of the Mayor of New York, publicly sponsors this anarchist organisation. So does the Protestant Minister and radio announcer, Dr Frank Kingdom.

Mr Elliott Roosevelt, lately returned from his visits to Stalin, is added to the list. He made his debut at a Madison Square Garden gathering recently when he was introduced to 18,000 League supporters as a "new chairman."

Mr Roosevelt made a fund-raising speech denouncing Britain and her stand in Palestine at great length. He was not so vociferous, though, when I went to see him.

Our meeting took place through a screen of four worried little League officials whose obvious purpose was to prevent the usually too indiscreet. They permitted me only to conform with the "new chairman" that was loaded his position. They beamed when he answered "Yes."

No pay—and no expenses

Their smiles faded, however, when he blurted, "They don't pay me anything. I am not getting expenses."

I waited for more. But before Mr Roosevelt could tell me any more his friends hustled him away. He managed only one remark—that that was loaded his position. "You see? I don't give interviews to reporters."

## Japan Royalty Enters Fishmongering Trade

Royalty has entered the fish-mongering trade in Japan. Square-chinned, hunky Prince Naruhiko Higashikuni, a member of one of Japan's 14 Royal Families, has established this precedent.

He is the proprietor of a new fish-shop in the shack-areade, Shinjuku Market in Tokyo.

Former general of the Japanese Army, Naruhiko Higashikuni now aims to make a living by selling salted fish, seaweed, and shellfish (on the authorised market).

No other Japanese prince has set so many royal precedents as the square-chinned Higashikuni.

He is the first prince:

To become Prime Minister (August, 1940).

To drop into a street stall and to taste a dish of "boiling beef stew."

To form a baseball team with members of his family.

To publish his memoirs entitled, "My Record" (current Japanese best seller).

No More Animal Fights

To the deepest regret of the gamblers, Shikoku recently gave up animal fights.

The island was known all over Japan for its bull-fights (bull v. bull), dog-fights, and cock-fights.

Police orders erasing these sporting extractions from the social life of Japan said:

"For the purpose of preventing cruelty to animals and danger to the public order caused by these atrocious exhibitions, all animal-fights are to be prohibited immediately. It is the duty of the police to see that such cruel shows are still in existence. Any violators of this regulation are to be fined or imprisoned."

One day before the order was sent from Tokyo, one of E-mo's bull-owners bought 10 fighting bulls, each at 110,000 yen, saw the published order next day, sold them all, disgusted, at 20,000 yen each, to a butcher of Matsuyama, Ehime prefecture.

Homeless Staggered

Staggering figures were announced by Osaka's prefectural Police Department to the bombed-out, homeless Japanese.

These showed that 10,193 restaurants and amusement establishments (including cafes, cabarets and geisha-houses) had been destroyed since the war's end, making the total of 13,280 in Osaka prefecture (population: 2,976,140).

Calculation proved that there was one of these establishments to every 220 persons in the prefecture.

The much-needed construction materials, instead of going to the bombed-out and homeless, had been sold at a terrific price to the owners of cafes, geisha houses.

Surprised officials of the Police Department hurriedly forbade any new construction of houses for this type of trade.

Imitative Culture

Old, grave-looking, "immortal" members of Japan's Imperial Academy assembled in Tokyo to hold the year's biggest meeting.

The meeting's target: To choose the winners of the Imperial prizes and Academy prizes of the year.

After hours of discussion, the board decided to give the Imperial Prize (cash sum undisclosed) to Dr Takeo Matsumura for his work entitled, "About the Origin of the Divine Legend."

The Academy's prizes were given to one poet and two scientists including Mr Taguchi for his huge study, "On sound element of Japanese language in Talkie-film."

In imitation of the French Academy established by Louis XIV, the Imperial Academy was inaugurated by Emperor Meiji in 1911. Like the former, in both cultural and scientific departments, it has 40 "immortal" members.

## Made Ring For The Princess

It took two men just over a week to make Princess Elizabeth's platinum engagement ring and to set it with 11 diamonds.

The central stone, about three carats, is about the size of the nail of a woman's little finger. On each of the shoulders on either side of this stone are five small diamonds.

George Taub, who lives at Hatfield, former of the manufacturing section of Philip Antrobus, jewellers, of Regent-place, made the ring itself.

Harry Marchant, a young RAF fitter, did the delicate job of setting the stones.

They said: "It was a very simple design giving no trouble. And we did not know it was to be for the Princess until after we had made it."

Its value? Said Mr. W. L. Antrobus: "I cannot, of course, discuss that. The central stone is a fine diamond."



MARCHANT and TAUB

Mr. Antrobus described how the order for the ring reached him.

"Princess Andrew of Greece, Lieut. Mountbatten's mother, came into my establishment in June.

"She showed me a ring which I gathered was made during the occupation of Greece. It seemed to be of great sentimental value to her. She did not say that her visit was anything to do with the Royal engagement."

"She wished me to extract the central stone and the two smaller ones in the ring and to remount them, together with one or two other small diamonds, in a ring of modern setting."

"Together, we drew a pencilled sketch of the new ring on paper on the top of a glass case. The result was basically her design."

"When the ring was ready and Princess Andrew came here again to view it she seemed very pleased."

## 58,350 Americans Back 'War' On Britain

THE MEN AND THE MONEY BEHIND THE LEAGUE FOR A FREE PALESTINE

by Evelyn Webber

NEW YORK. NO fewer than 58,350 people in the United States have taken out membership subscriptions to the American League for a Free Palestine, advocates of terrorism who have pledged themselves to "war" against Britain and who recently tried unsuccessfully to boycott the sale of British goods here.

Additional members are being sought. League speakers are touring the country holding rallies and parlour meetings to get them. With a plainly stated object of "moulding community opinion into a single battle front always emphasising the attack," they are inflaming audiences from here to California with anti-British propaganda.

Centre is like war GHQ

So far they have not captured much of America's mind. But a large staff of workers is feverishly attending to that right now.

In New York, where the American League for a Free Palestine occupies the entire floor of a Manhattan office building, they are turning out leaflets and propaganda at an alarming rate. They work in offices equipped with maps, teletype machine and a radio communications system. Everybody hurries. The atmosphere there is like that of a headquarters during the war.

I paid a visit to the Financial Controller, Mr J. Brandt. He told me about the membership.

25 percent are non-Jews

"Seventy-five percent are of Jewish faith," he said. "The rest are of all religions. But of

## EGGS FROM ITURBI

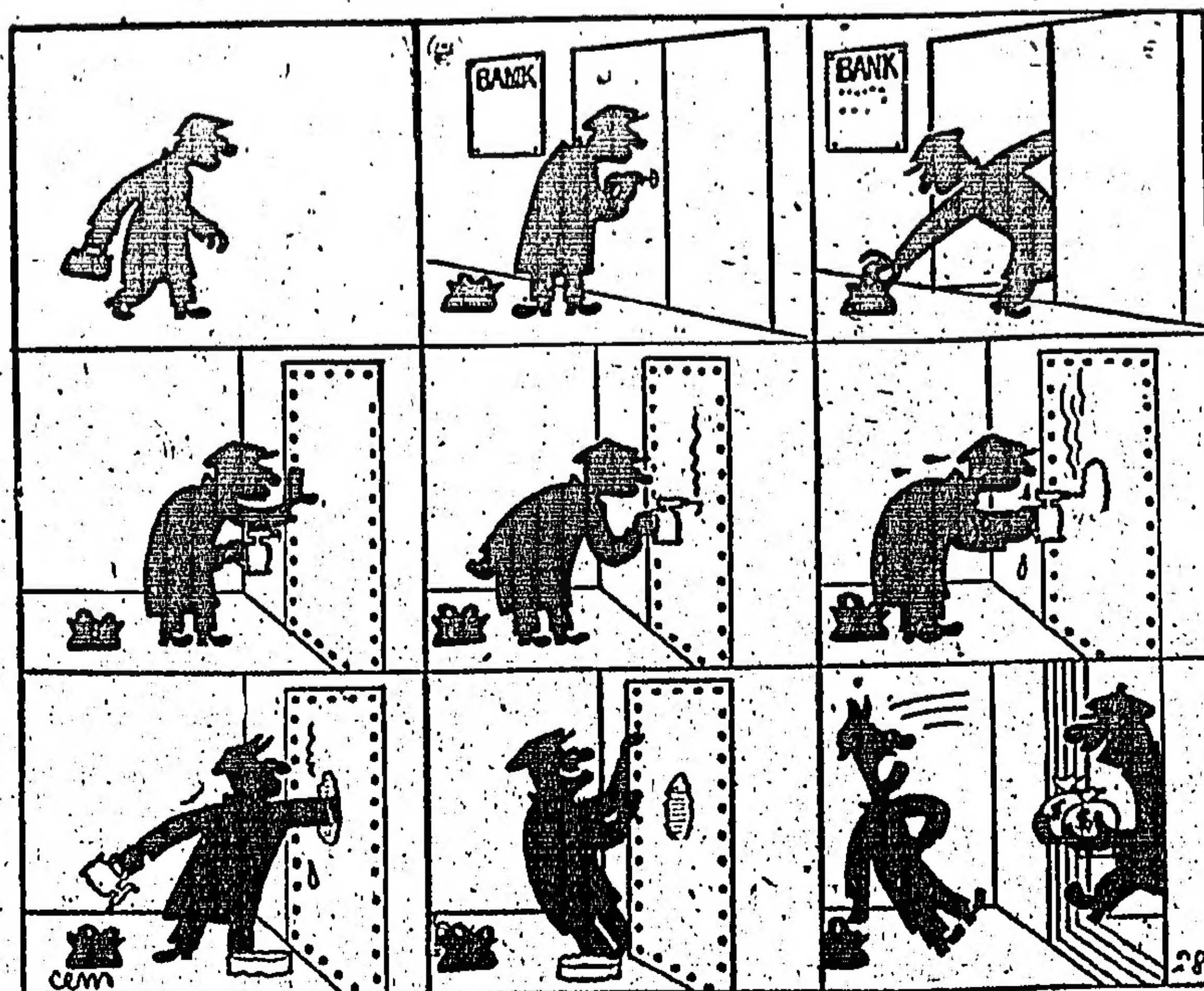
A fiery, gesticulating little man in a check suit, canary-coloured socks and red shirt, jumped out of a plane at London Airport and handed hard-boiled eggs and cigars all round. Jose Iturbi, eccentric genius of piano and baton, had arrived from Hollywood—a few hours before he was due to conduct at the Albert Hall.

Running "out of eggs" ("brought 'em from Hollywood, have one") the "Spanish Fireball," as he is called, signed autographs, invited strangers to the Albert Hall, and said, "There'll be tickets waiting for you."

Then the man who has grand pianos in 33 American cities, who is a composer and one of the highest-paid Hollywood film stars, drove off to a West End hotel.

And locked himself in his room. Before disconnecting his telephone he left messages saying: "Mr Iturbi will not talk to anyone and will not see anyone."

To make sure, he had a "Don't disturb" notice hung on his door.



SURPRISE

## ROME'S BRONZE HORSEMEN RIDE AGAIN IN PEACE

Bronze horsemen ride again today on the proud horses from which they were unsaddled during the war. In every Italian city the mounted heroes have been placed again in the saddles they exchanged for cellar hiding places when Allied bombs threatened their destruction.

The first rider to be remounted on his bronze charger was the stalwart Duke Cosimo I of Florence. Hidden in the dungeons of the Lanzi Palace during the war, he was finally towed through the streets of Florence behind a U.S. Army jeep to his waiting horse. He was remounted at night, however, for reasons of dignity.

The final touch to restore the old duke to grandeur was the placing of the ancient bronze like, designed by Giovanni da Bologna, the right hand, completing the picture of the man described by the poet Francesco Petrarca as "a symbol of justice and power."

In Venice, the famous warrior Bartolomeo Colleoni was hoisted back into the saddle after several glorious years in a dusty cellar in San Zanipolo square. The statue, cast in bronze by Leonardo da Vinci's teacher, Andrea Verrocchio, in 1480, was the first equestrian statue in the world to show a horse without all four feet on the ground. The left leg of Colleoni's horse is bent, but Verrocchio prudently

allowed it to rest on a bronze ball. It is considered the most beautiful equestrian statue known.

Marcus Aurelius

In Rome, Emperor Marcus Aurelius gilded form glitters again in the sun on Capitol Hill. The statue dates back to 180. A war for the separated during the war for the first time from the horse. It had sat since 1938, when Pope Paul III had it placed on a pedestal designed by Michelangelo. The Pope, according to common belief, thought it to be a statue of Constantine, the first Christian emperor. Instead, the emperor rested on his side in the Capitol cellars for seven years before returning to his place.

Restoration of other ancient and priceless works of art removed from public squares during the war is also progressing.

Such famed statues as Michelangelo's "David," Benvenuto Cellini's "Perseus," and Donatello's "Judith and Holofernes"—the first in marble and the latter two in bronze—have been restored in Florence's famed Piazza della Signoria. They were hidden in the Lanzi dungeons with Duke Cosimo



## Trying To Win Snooker Championship Doesn't Pay

BY ARCHIE QUICK

Although this is the silly season for snooker and billiards, professionally, the newly formed Players' Association keeps active during the summer. It is good news to learn that it is to attempt to revive the defunct billiards championship, and I understand a new rule is to be introduced, sponsored by Sidney Smith, whereby the ball must be played from hand in the D every 100 shots.

This will have the effect of reducing the unspectacular top-of-the-table and close cannon play, for once a player has gained these uninteresting formations he has room to break position to get back to the D.

The Professional Players' Association is also going to try to force the hand of the Control Council and get rules and regulations passed in order to put the present farcical World Snooker Championship on a proper basis. The professionals are determined that never again will the final be held over until another season is this year. As one professional put it to me, players are now appearing in the event without wages.

### GUARANTEES WANTED

What happens now is that they pay a big entrance fee for the kudos of appearing and with little hope of winning, except for the select few, and most of the proceeds going to the promoting hall. What the players are asking for are better guarantees.

And this year whoever wins the title out of Walter Donaldson and Fred Davis will hold it only a few months.

It has been arranged that this postponed event shall take place in October, but my best advice is that it will not take place until November because Fred wants to get practice in public before the actual title match.

Horace Lindrum is due from South Africa but he is going immediately to Australia with his mother to see to their businesses there, and will then return to England in time for the start of the winter season.

Joe Davis returns from South Africa in September and is going to have a big say in the administrative side of the game.

The Donaldson-Davis match will take place at the renovated Thurston's Hall, Leicester Square, which has a capacity of only 1,170 compared with 1,600 at the Royal Horticultural Hall last time.

### COSTS TOO HIGH

That event was staged by a firm of billiards tables and accessories manufacturers, but the expense to them was so great in fitting out the hall that they will not play again. And the Control Council evidently have not the enterprise to take a chance of their own. Thus prices to the public will have to be pretty high, which is bad for popularising the game. Only a favoured few will be able to see this final.

That there is still big money in the game for the professionals however, is demonstrated by the fact that Alec Brown of London is out with a £250 challenge for a level game with Albert Brown of Birmingham. Alec recently played Tommy Woods, the Southampton champion £100 level and won five frames to two after losing the first two.



SPORTING SAM



# SPORTS FEATURES

## Sports Amazons Are Also Very Feminine

### NOTABLE HURDLER IS SOCIETY BEAUTY

(BY RECORDER)

There are some women who dislike undue reference to the "gentle sex" and as a result we have our Amy Johnsons, Amelia Earharts and Mildred Didriksons. The revolt against the proscribed gentle touch that tradition associates with femininity produces much that is Amazonian and much, also, that remains surprisingly feminine even to an ultra-femininity.

At Amsterdam in 1928 the bewhiskered old-timers of the Olympic Committee watched a German girl, Lina Radke, collapse across the finishing line as with Teutonic determination she annexed the women's 800 metres run crown. After Fraulein Radke at Amsterdam the Olympic Committee decided that the 800 metres was a near-homicidal event for the tomboys and washed it off the Olympic programme.

There are other events, however, yet open to the Amazon. The greatest Amazon of them all was probably Mildred "Babe" Didrikson, the Texas drug-store clerk, who at Los Angeles in 1932 set world records for the 80 metres hurdles, the javelin throw, and tied for first in the high jump only to lose in the jump-off.

Earlier the "Babe", who in circa-1932 photos looked like an overgrown bobby-soxer—who wouldn't be kept out of the backyard baseball game, won the hurdles, high jump, shot put, javelin and baseball throws at the American National AAU Championships.

The Babe, if legend must be confounded, wasn't a bad-looking girl. In her younger days she had an inclination to muscularity and had not yet developed a clothes-sense. To-day, as Mrs. George Zaharias and as the first American woman in many years to take the British Women's Golf Open, she is attractive enough and may probably yet hit a full page portrait in "Vogue."

### MANY EXCEPTIONS

Indeed, it is difficult to decide finally whether women in athletics are brutish in appearance as a rule. There are so many exceptions. A prize camera study that emanated out of the Berlin Olympiad in 1936 was a close-up of Forrest Towns, the high hurdles champ, and Trebisonda Valla of Italy, the women's hurdling champ. Signorina Valla was a very attractive number.

However, the Amazonian parade in Berlin that disposed of the discus and javelin medals consisted of a hard-faced set of Teutonic and Central European madonnas of an appearance that later taunted concentration camp internees in the gas-chamber era.

I am all against the throwing events for women. True enough, some years ago one of the screen magazines published an attractive study of shapely Jean Parker poised with the disc and the javelin among other athletic paraphernalia. Miss Parker looked cute as a button but I doubt that she could have thrown either implement far enough for an Olympic medal. Not against tough girls like Munich's Gisela Mauermayer. Fraulein Mauermayer was somewhere in the vicinity of 200 lbs. and had a chest expansion that may have started Rosenberg and Hitler on their dreams of a Teutonic motherhood. She wasn't a bad-looking girl by Vuhalla standards, but she was no Jean Parker.

### MISS COWPERTHWAIT

Yet the girls, undaunted by the disaffair sports reporter who permits himself an occasional crack on angularity, still go in for Olympic laurels. Latest Athletic Miss to set America agog is the "Society Hurdler", 25-year-old Nancy Cowperthwaite, whose name, we are informed, can be found on page 164 of the

New York Social Register for 1947.

Miss Cowperthwaite is an heiress to part of a furniture and insurance fortune. She graduated from the very select Miss Porter's School, which, in later years, was besieged by anxious reporters who outrageously wanted to know if Miss Porter's School ran a track team. She is not yet in the Didrikson-Valla class as a high hurdler, showing only 12 seconds flat to the former's 11.6, but she hits the rotogravure sports page as often as the other two did with a pale flaming blonde beauty that looks nifty over a hurdle. She is in training for London and has been American hurdles champion since 1943. She is also good at the high jump, broad jump, the sprints up to 220 yards, and has at home 60 medals in a shoebox. She drives three cars and flies a plane.

If the Olympic Committee had any imagination at all they would set as the main event at London a special hurdles handicap as the prize attraction with Miss Cowperthwaite given a 20-yard start and the first man to catch her a genuine Tarzan prize. It would depend, of course, on Miss Cowperthwaite's amenability to the idea. Hurdling, since Miss Cowperthwaite entered the lists, has got faster and faster. There are nearly 30 boys this season, coming far and wide from Flemish hamlets and Missouri backwaters, who have done 14.6 seconds or better. Just a few years ago that was a world record.

## When Johnny Came Sailing Home—To Maesteg

(BY ERIC WRIGHT)

MANY a scandalised whisper was heard coasting around when the Archbishop of York gave his recent blessing to Sunday sport, of the recreational, non-commercial type. The Church, which would wreck the meaning of organised religion. I wonder why? In truth, there has always been a strong and mutually beneficial link between Church and Sport. It has been cast, tested and rarely found wanting by Sunday school football leagues, church boxing clubs, cycling sections and the like. Two tales which come my way show you why—and how.

The first tells how Johnny Came Sailing Home—to Maesteg. He left the Glamorgan valleys just after the birth of this century, to seek a fortune in the United States. For long it eluded him. At last he found it. And last summer Johnny came back to Maesteg.

Many a worthy organisation in that little Welsh town received a portion of that fortune without asking, so the local golf club approached Yankin Johnny and candidly advised him that a little help would be welcomed.

Johnny, reflecting that golf was a game unknown to the miners of the valleys of his birth when he was a lad, grinned and said: "Maybe some day I'll do something for you." That was 12 months ago. The other day the Maesteg golfers received a large parcel, postmarked "United States."

Johnny had "done something."

Where does the Church come into this? Well, Johnny has always been a sports fan, ever since his days in the Church Lads' Brigade of Maesteg St. Michael's. And that golden golf cup was not his biggest gift to the town. Because his interest in sport has paid comfortable dividends, their Band of Hope team.

The Bristol boy who made good got a big cheer when he was introduced from the platform of that little hall. He got an even bigger one when he said "I think it's a pity that so many sporting trophies should be exhibited in public houses and not in the churches."

The point is: The Archbishop and many other thinking people know that for every crook, chiseller and ill-living racketeer in big sport, there are dozens of Johnny Beynons and Cliff Brittons. We should hear more of them.

## Athletic Chiefs Offer Glory—But At Your Own Risk

BY PAUL IRWIN

If an athlete breaks a leg—or his neck—while representing England at an international track meeting, well, it is just too bad for the athlete.

Why? Because the Amateur Athletic Association will have no part of the doctor's bills, hospital expenses, or money worries certain to arise through loss of work.

All the headaches belong to the patient. He preserves his amateur status, always so jealously regarded by our athletic chief, even to the point where his relatives may pay the funeral costs.

The A.A.A. could make a grant out of the great goodness of their hearts, but there is nothing in the rules to bind them. Not on your life. Cheeseparing down to the last penny, they will not even shoulder the financial burden—relatively small though it is—of insuring athletes against injury, or worse.

### CYNICAL OUTLOOK

It is a completely cynical outlook quite unworthy of British sport. Or is it?

Association officials don't seem to think this way, since they admit without a blush that they have no insurance cover on their teams nor do they contemplate arranging any. "Members of our teams are invited to international meetings and appear of their own free will" says

Roller speedway is tough and rough. Casualties to date include Oneida Reynolds (broken ankle), Dorothy Rocco (broken collarbone) and Bob Clark (leg fractured in three places), not to mention smashed noses, ribs and fingers.

Do the customers go along to see the accidents? I wouldn't know, but I have my suspicions.

Three thousand of our best racing pigeons took the air at Bordeaux recently to start the National Flying Club's race for one of the King George V. Challenge Cups.

They were taken by airplane to France, but for some of them were journeys of 400 miles to home lofts under their own "power."

There are five King George V. trophies presented to mark the Royal Family's interest in pigeon racing. Back in 1899 the National Club's race was won by King Edward VII, then Prince of Wales. Who's winner this time? It takes time to find out as the result is worked on average speed after the pigeons are "clocked in" at their lofts all over the country.

### I TAKE BRUCE

Boxing's worst upset in years was provided when Ole Tandberg, the fair-haired Swede, outpointed Joe Baksi in Stockholm the other day.

Either Tandberg has improved 100 per cent since he was beaten at the Albert Hall by Eddie Phillips, back to the ring after long retirement, or Baksi was a shadow of the fighter who smashed Bruce Woodcock to defeat.

Whichever way you view it, I take Woodcock to lick the Swedish heavy-weight when they meet for the European title. I think Tandberg, a very light puncher, is made to measure for our champion—never mind his suspect jaw.

Bruce is to try out his jaw, broken in the Baksi affair, at Yeovil on August 11.

### NO GIBB MYSTERY

Where is Paul Gibb? England's wicket-keeper in one Test on the Australian tour, he is one of the two members of the party who have not played top-class cricket since their return. Hammond is the other.

The sole reason for Gibb's absence is this—he is concentrating on business, not cricket. Yorkshire could certainly do with him to stiffen their batting, but he told county officials at the start of the season that he saw little prospect of being free for cricket this year.

There has been no change in the position since. Don't be surprised if a dozen or more English swimming titles are carried across the Tweed after the A.S.A. championships end at Hastings.

Fifteen men, women, boys and girls, practically every one certain to reach the finals, will represent the Scottish Association. It is an old-time border raid.

Nancy Rineh and little Cathie Gibson are likely to win three or four championships. Peter Healey, of Edinburgh, looks a good bet in the springboard diving. Bert Kim-near should be thereabouts in the 100 yards backstroke.

Expect also to find Margaret Glirvan and Elinor Gordon, the 14-year-old stars, doing well in the senior 440 yards free-style and 200 yards breast-stroke.

And then there is Robert Thompson, the Motherwell school-boy. He can break 80secs. for 100 yards breast-stroke, a time which will just about give him the English junior title.

### ROLLING ALONG

European and American roller speedway teams at Harringay are now running round the saucer-like track every night, except Sunday, until August 30.

By the time the race is over, they will have covered some 3,000 miles, had one or two free fights, provided a few stretcher cases, and given lots of fun to thousands of customers.

## Manchester Expects Big Football Season

BY ARCHIE QUICK

Chief conversation at the Old Trafford Test match was not cricket, but football.

Manchester is waiting with the keen anticipation to the renewal of rivalry between the City and the United now that the former are back in the First Division.

With the United's ground bomb-wrecked they will continue to use the same pitch on alternate Saturdays, the United paying the City £3,000 rent as against £2,000 last year.

There is little hope of the United's ground being put in order for some considerable time yet. War damage computation amounts to £93,000, but it will cost a lot more than that to erect a new grandstand.

I understand that first favourite for the vacant City manager ship is Mr. David Steele, English international who recently quitted a similar position with Huddersfield Town. The post is worth £2,000 a year.

### GREAT STRUGGLE

With the City in phenomenal promotion form last season and the United finishing runners-up to Liverpool, there is every prospect of a great struggle between these two clubs to see who finishes higher this coming season.

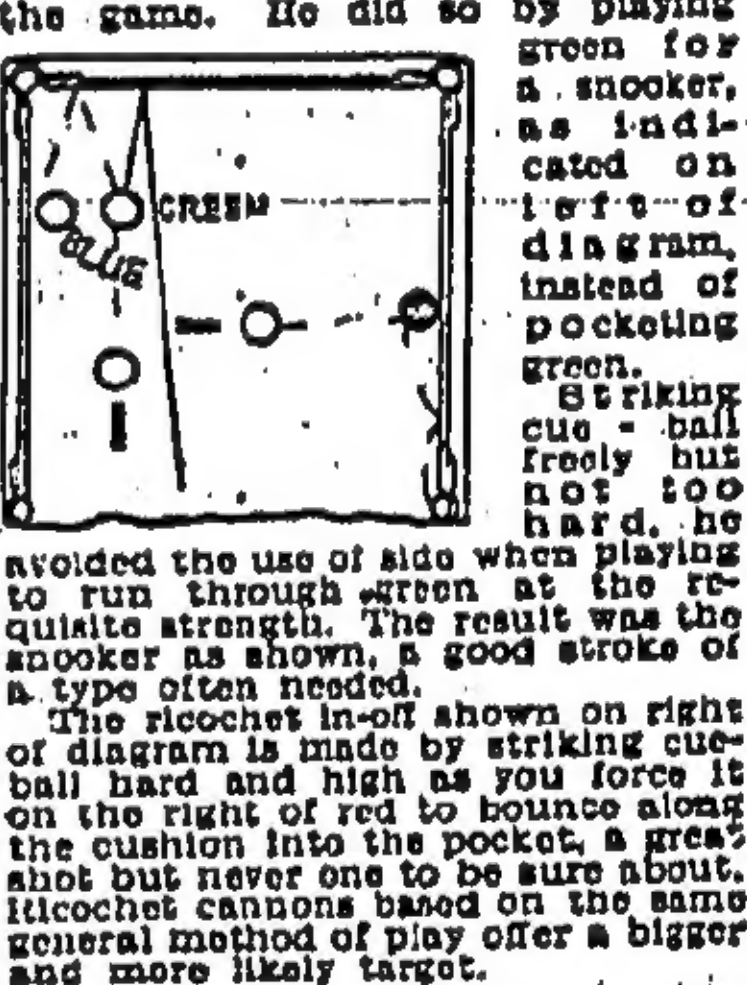
Goalkeeper Frank Swift, visiting the Test match to see Denis Compton prior to a holiday in Ireland, told me the City are not diving into the transfer market, but will rely in the main on the team that did so well in Division 2, plus Clarke, the costly Cardiff City outside right.

Over at Bolton they are preparing to pay heavily for the right players after the past season's disappointing show, but Blackburn have finished spending and feel that with the new players captured at the tail end of last season, the team's form improved enough to warrant them doing well this year.

One interesting point is that Lancashire representation in Division 2, as a result of Manchester City and Burnley gaining promotion, is now only one—Bury.

### Arthur Peall says

AFTER pocketing the last red the state of the score, added to black and pink safe near the bottom cushion, decided striker to close up the game. He did so by playing



avoided the use of side when playing to run through green at the re-quisite strength. The cue was the type often needed.

The diagram is shown on right of diagram is made by striking cue ball hard and high as you force on the right of red to bounce along the cushion into the pocket, a great shot but never one to be sure about. The diagram is based on the same general method of play offer a bigger and more likely target.

## Searching For Our Next Boxing Champions

As befits that corner of England that produced Bob Fitzsimmons and Len Harvey it is West Country that is starting new search for heavyweight boxing hope, said Archie Quick.

How often the trail has started—Wells, Beckett, Goddard, Scott, Petersen, Woodcock—only to be lost, we know only too well, but down Yeovil way on August 11, the torch of optimism will again be lit.

For some time past trials have been going on sorting out the wheat from the chaff until the stage is now set for the finals.

In these preliminaries the Army, Royal Air Force, and Royal Navy have willingly assisted in the hunt, holding their own private competitions to find the best. In fact the Army have been enthusiastic at times as to lend the ring and the equipment.

Recently all these private winners were brought together for what in effect, was semi-public semi-finals, and on August 11 we are to see the result of all this sorting out, not only among the heavies, but, all the weights down to fly.

The Preliminaries have thrown up fighters from all manner of vocations. There are blacksmiths, a railway shunter, an aircraft fitter, a road sweeper, all anxious to win title glory and the money that goes with it. The Aircraft fitter is a light-weight named Bryon, of great promise, and the sweeper, eleven stones from Bristol, makes light of a foot injured during Army service.

Then there is a flyweight named Weatherall, from Crewkerne, the son-in-law of Jimmy Wilde with his spry legs and arms and seven stones, but his timing and judgment of distance is said to be exceptional.

Another prospect is Alf James from Shaftesbury, six foot tall, twelve stones twelve pounds, who in his last two fights knocked out opponents in rounds two and three.

Appropriately this Yeovil show is going to feature champions of the past, present and tomorrow, for not only are Joe Beckett, Jimmy Wilde, and Ted Kid Lewis appearing, but for the first time since the Baksi disaster, Bruce Woodcock is going into a ring and will appear in an all-out exhibition to test himself.

This is the start of the scheme sponsored by my Fleet Street colleague George Harrison, and after the West of England the tournaments are going to be held in South Wales, East Anglia, the Home Counties, North West, North East and Midlands, with the grand finals some time next year.

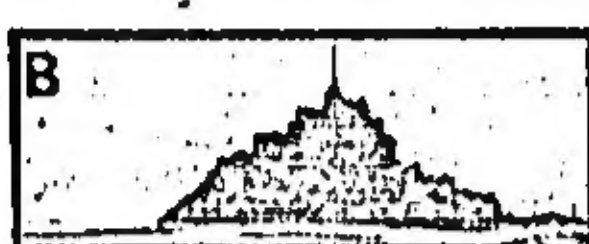
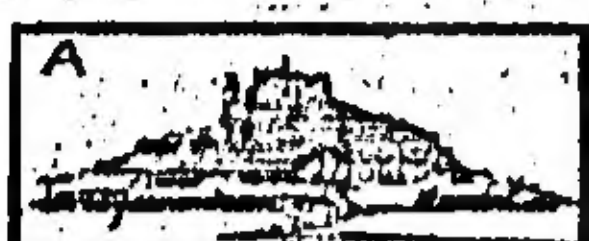
Here's wishing venture good luck. There is to be no exploitation and I can think of no better way, of steeling the final winners to their profession than pursuing Harrison's intention of putting them to booth fighting for a spell.



## Are You Sure?

Answers on Page 10

1. If you wanted to buy a carbuncle you would go to—  
Coal merchant, chiropodist, jeweller, doctor?
2. Who were the original—  
(a) Chocolate Coloured Coon,  
(b) White-eyed Kaffir,  
(c) Prime Minister of Mirth,  
(d) Man in the Velvet Suit?
3. In which books would you read about these imaginary lands—  
Utopia, Lilliput, Shangri-La?



4. Two well-known holiday landmarks.

Do you know them?

5. The first batsman to score over 400 runs in an innings in first-class cricket was—

L. Hutton, W. G. Grace, D. G. Bradman, A. C. MacLaren, W. H. Ponsford, J. B. Hobbs?

6. On one of these continents it is possible to be 1,500 miles from the sea—

Africa, N. America, Asia, Australia?

7. Which of these poets are Socialists—

Marquess of Normanby, Viscount St. David, Viscount Simon, Lord Rothschild?

8. The original Commandos were—

Pirates, missionaries, Asiatic race that overrun Europe, Boer irregular troops?

9. How many sheets of writing paper are there in a—

(a) Quire, (b) ream?

10. How long did Christ remain on earth after the resurrection—

3, 7, 21, 40 days?

## RAF MEN TEACH SUNDAY SCHOOL

A group of young RAF men stationed at Singapore spend their Sunday off-duty hours as Sunday School teachers.

Their headquarters are at Trinity Church, Changi, where recently a large congregation of parents and children from the married quarters attended on Empire Youth Sunday.

So that all of the teachers would be present, the "anniversary" of the opening of the Sunday School six months before was celebrated by the presentation of book prizes and certificates of merit to the best pupils.

# London Airport's Importance WILL HANDLE 4,000 PASSENGERS HOURLY

By RICHARD TOMPKINS

London Airport is rising from the gravel pits, mud flats, ditches and ponds of Middlesex to become one of the great crossroads of international air travel.

Eventually—when it is completed in 1953—it will be capable of serving 4,000 East- and West-bound passengers every hour.

The great field, which will cover seven square miles in area, is located 19 miles from Charing Cross, the centre of London, and its final cost has been estimated between £20,000,000 and £30,000,000.

The airport, formerly known as Heathrow, had its genesis in the Royal Air Force's need for a field near the city, large enough to accommodate the largest types of military aircraft. Later it was visualised to become Britain's international airport.

Now the British Government, carrying out this plan, is literally moving two rivers and erasing two or more villages to permit runways to be built for the largest conceivable planes.

### WORK BEGUN IN 1944

Work has begun in May 1944. The war ended before the completion of the first runway, and the airfield was placed for development under the control of the Ministry of Civil Aviation on January 1, 1946.

In the early days of mud and tents, the task was to dispose of 100,000,000 gallons of water, install a drainage system and excavate 2,000,000 tons of earth and gravel. The first three main runways absorbed 1,114,000 square yards of concrete 12 inches thick.

Eventually it is planned to have nine runways, varying in length from 9,000 to 5,300 feet. The main runway can be extended to 15,000 feet if the need should arise.

The three main runways are all 300 feet wide and have been constructed with a view to taking the heaviest aircraft now designed, including the Brabazon 1, now being constructed by the Bristol Aircraft Company.

The Brabazon is of 130 tons gross weight, and is designed to carry 120 passengers seated or 72 in sleeping berths, on the North Atlantic service. Actually the runways will take an overall weight of 300,000 pounds.

### TRIANGULAR PATTERN

Stage one of the construction, a triangular pattern of runways, has been finished and all three runways are in use.

In the second stage, the North-west-Southeast runway will be scrapped to make room for the newly-designed terminal which will cover 66 acres. Most of the concrete surface will be salvaged as paving for the terminal area and taxiways.

Also during the second stage—expected to be completed in 1949—four runways will be added, as will a large part of the central apron, parts of the terminal buildings and 170 acres of aircraft maintenance areas.

In the third and final stage of development three more runways will be built, making a total of nine, and the Bath Road, a main East-West traffic artery, will be diverted to the northern boundary of the airfield.

In the airport area the flow of the rivers Longford and Duke of Northumberland will be altered. The villages of Sipson and part of Harlington will be demolished, and a third village, Harmondsworth, may be seriously affected.

As experts designed the project, many plans were prepared and some discarded to prevent unnecessary destruction of private property.

### DANGEROUS SCHEME

The completion of the first stage has permitted a maximum capacity of 40 aircraft movements (landings and take-offs) an hour, rising to 50. Stage Two will allow 60, increasing to 100 air movements in an hour, and Stage Three, 100 or more.

It is estimated that with an average of 20 passengers per aircraft in Stage One, increasing to 25 in Stage Two and Three, the maximum hourly passenger capacity of

the airport will be 1,000 in Stage One, 2,500 in Stage Two and 4,000 in Stage Three.

Air Ministry planners rejected as dangerous a scheme to install runways in a tangential pattern, like spokes in a wheel. It was argued that if a landing plane overshoot its runways it might cross the path of an aircraft taking off, and thought that on converging runways, aircraft might collide on the ground or in the air during bad visibility. Therefore, the staggered parallel system of runways was adopted.

The system of fog dispersal, known as "Fido," also was abandoned because of the high cost of operation. The Ministry says it is awaiting the American development of another system before considering its use later.

The Airport, however, already is using ground control approach (CCA) facilities, the RAF's favourite wartime bad weather safety landing aid.

A Pan-American clipper recently made the first passenger landing under the newly-installed system.

### WORKERS' HOUSING

Leveling of ground and the filling-in of ditches and ponds is progressing, as is the construction of prefabricated buildings and other temporary installations which give the airport the appearance of an emergency landing field.

A real need now is housing for the thousands of men and women who will be employed on aircraft maintenance, as traffic clerks, customs and immigration officials, and in other duties. The Ministry of Health has called a conference of local authorities to plan new homes.

While plans for the airport are still fluid, the scheme includes permanent buildings, hotels, entertainments, visitors' promenades, underground roads, subway transit and other facilities, which will make the airport area a modern city in itself.

It is an ambitious project designed to equal any airport in the world as the "front door" of Britain and the gateway to the European continent.—Associated Press.

## SCIENCE FEATURE

# CURE FOR PSYCHIC DEAFNESS

By ALTON L. BLAKESLEE

New York—A dramatic improvement of hearing in some cases of severe deafness among war veterans through use of a sleeping drug has been reported by Dr. Herman Semenov, of Beverly Hills, California.

These were cases of psychic deafness, due partly or entirely to psychological causes in which the mind somehow affected the hearing nerves, he told the American Academy of Ophthalmology and Otolaryngology recently.

The drug used is a sedative, sodium pentothal, which puts the patient in a twilight zone between sleep and awakening. It is widely used by psychologists for different kinds of patients to discover and

then treat emotional or psychological causes of illness, physical or mental. The patient can talk and answer questions. Also, said Dr. Semenov, his actual hearing ability can be measured accurately.

War-time experience at Holt General Hospital, an army installation near Santa Barbara, California, showed that about 10 percent of patients with severe deafness in both ears had psychic problems underlying the deafness, he continued.

Of these, 60 percent had a pre-existing organic ear disease, but usually their deafness was greater than it should be for such organic troubles. In some, deafness persisted even though the injury or disease had been cured. Others were

deaf with no physical explanation for it.

With twilight sleep treatment to find and remove the psychic cause, "a dramatic restoration of hearing occurred in 60 percent of the pure functional cases, in which there was no structural damage," Dr. Semenov said. "In cases mixed with organic ear disease, there was a remarkable improvement up to the level of the limiting ear disease. Hearing was restored to useful levels in 70 percent of the cases selected for treatment, which included many cases with organic injury."

Similar cases of psychic deafness among civilians may be more common than previously suspected, Dr. Semenov said.—Associated Press.

# LITTLE EVA ON HER WAY TO REJOIN HER FATHER

Bright-eyed little Eva Tana Rosen is one of the most excited passengers aboard the UNRRA-chartered repatriation ship, Marine Lynx, which left Shanghai last week to take more than 700 refugees back to their homes in Germany and Austria.

Eight-year-old Eva is going home to Germany, her native country, to meet her father, who, she just recently discovered, is still alive in Berlin after escaping Nazi concentration camps and surviving the war.

She doesn't remember much about either her father or her native land, for Eva was only a six-months-old baby when her mother brought her to Shanghai in 1938 to elude Nazi persecution in Europe. But other repatriates aboard the UNRRA repatriation ship will pass on to her some of their nostalgic memories of their homeland before the ship docks.

When her mother died in Shanghai in 1941, friends took care of Eva. Helms Krotschinski and his mother brought her into their home, seeing that the child was fed, clothed and properly educated. Eva this year was in her fourth year at the Kadoorie School in Shanghai.

### Still Alive

One day, not long ago, a letter came from Eva's father, Martin Rosen, saying he is still alive after having leapt from the Nazi train which was carrying him to concentration camp. He has re-established himself in the acting profession in Berlin, has remarried, and now has a home for his young daughter in Berlin.

Eva is travelling by herself on the UNRRA repatriation ship to join him. She is not alone, though,

for there are 30-odd other youngsters among the repatriates to Austria, Germany, Italy, Poland and Czechoslovakia. They will be cared for during the voyage by UNRRA escorts, including two trained nurses, and the dozen refugee doctors who are also passengers.

All of the repatriates have been screened by UNRRA's displaced persons division and IRO, to be sure they are bona fide war-displaced persons. They were provided with necessary travelling papers and given other service prior to their sailing.

The Marine Lynx is the last mass shipment of European repatriates to leave Shanghai this year.

### Chief Escort

Chief escort of the ship is Erling J. Logan of Seattle, deputy director of UNRRA's displaced persons division. Logan joined UNRRA in May 1946, after four years in the Marine Corps, and arrived in Shanghai in June 1946.

In the year he has been in the displaced persons division, UNRRA has repatriated 1,332 other European refugees from China in previous shipments, sent 21,000 overseas Chinese to their homes in Southeast Asia, and brought back 13,000 war-displaced Chinese to their homeland.

Before the war, Logan was a teacher, spending three of his eight professional years in Starway, Alaska. He is a graduate of Washington State College.

Carl Hansen, of Washington, D. C., UNRRA repatriation officer, is also accompanying the repatriates to Europe. Mr. Hansen, former lieutenant in the U.S. Navy in the Pacific, joined UNRRA in January

1946, and arrived in Shanghai in April. His first six months' duty in China was in Tsingtao, and in September he returned to Shanghai.

As repatriation officer he makes arrangements with shipping companies, consulates and the Chinese Foreign Affairs Department for the various travelling papers for the repatriates. Prior to the war he worked for the American Airlines Company in Washington. He is a graduate of the University of Arizona.

### Two Nurses

Two UNRRA nurses also escort the repatriates in the Marine Lynx. They are Major Carrie May Dolken, of Centralia, Washington, a member of the United States Public Health Service assigned to UNRRA, and Mrs. Mabel Moehring Bishop, of St. Paul, Minnesota.

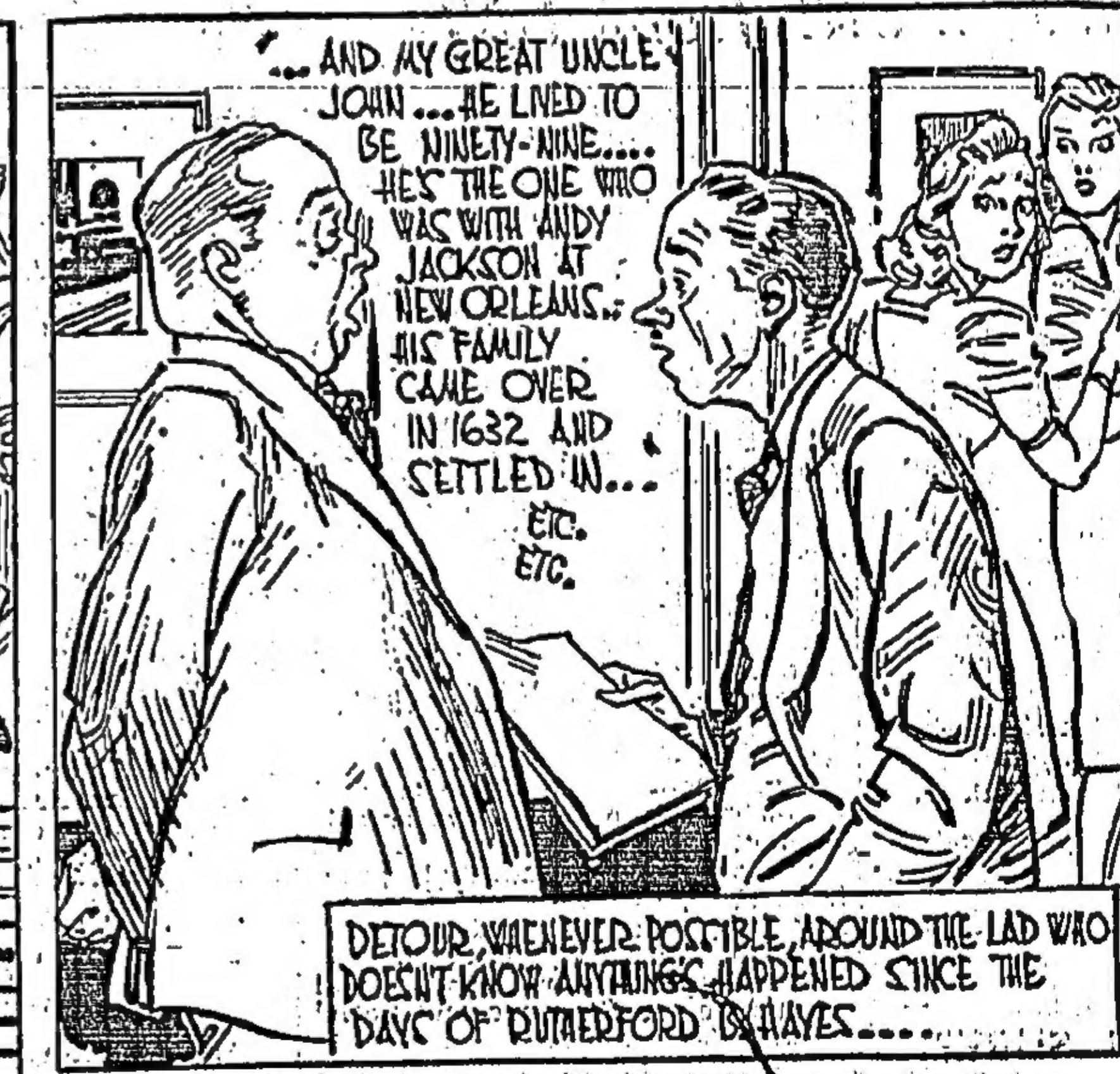
Major Dolken has been with UNRRA since September 1944. Before coming to China in August 1946, she served in the North African, Italian and German missions of UNRRA. For the past year in China she has been nursing consultant to the Shanghai Health Department, and worked with the Fong Pin Hospital in Canton.

She is graduate of the Cook County School of Nursing in Chicago, and holds degrees from the University of Minnesota and Columbia University.

Mr. Bishop has been in UNRRA since February, 1946, and in China since March 1946. She was assigned to Hwaiyin, North Kiangsu, a member of a Kala team in Communist areas. When military activities there increased and bombs destroyed the hospital, the team was evacuated to Tsingtao, and Mrs. Bishop was reassigned to work in Peking.

# VIGNETTES OF LIFE

## "More Detours" BY KEMP STARRETT









## TELEGRAPH NEWSREEL

WELCOME  
TO NEW  
GOVERNOR

On Friday last week, Hongkong welcomed its new Governor, His Excellency Sir Alexander Grantham, KCMG. Picture on the left shows the new Governor at Queen's Pier, where prominent citizens were presented to him. He is seen about to shake hands with the United States Consul-General, Mr. George D. Hopper. Picture immediately below at left shows His Excellency inspecting the guard of honour. At right is the scene at King's Theatre, where addresses of welcome were tendered. Sir Alexander is pictured replying to the addresses. (Photos: Ming Yuen)



MR S. B. WONG and his bride, formerly Miss Helen Yue, who were married at the Hongkong Hotel on Sunday last. (Photo: Ming Yuen)



CATHEDRAL WEDDING—Picture taken after the marriage at St John's Cathedral on Monday of Edmund Colin Luscombe, Assistant Superintendent of Police, and Miss Jill Rosemary Stokes. (Photo: Ming Yuen)

MR A. FLEURY-CHENU of Saigon and Miss Palmira Cecilia do Roxario of Hongkong were married last Sunday at St Teresa's Church. Group at left was taken after the ceremony. (Photo: Moo Cheung)



WINNER of the beauty contest held last Sunday at the Land Forces pool, Miss Ng Tan-fung was declared "Miss Hongkong of 1947." (Photo: Golden Studio)

REGISTRY WEDDING—Mr Wong Nan-fong and Miss Shum Oi-ling, photographed at left, were married at the Registry Office recently. (Photo: Ming Yuen)



AT ST JOHN'S CATHEDRAL last Saturday, the marriage took place of Mr Lloyd C. McClellan, of Emporia, Kansas, and Miss Doris English, of Enderlin, North Dakota. (Photo: Ming Yuen)



THE BAPTIST CHURCH at Tsimshatsui was the scene of the wedding last Saturday of Mr Lin Cho-chun and Miss Ruby Lee. (Photo: Mayfair Studio)



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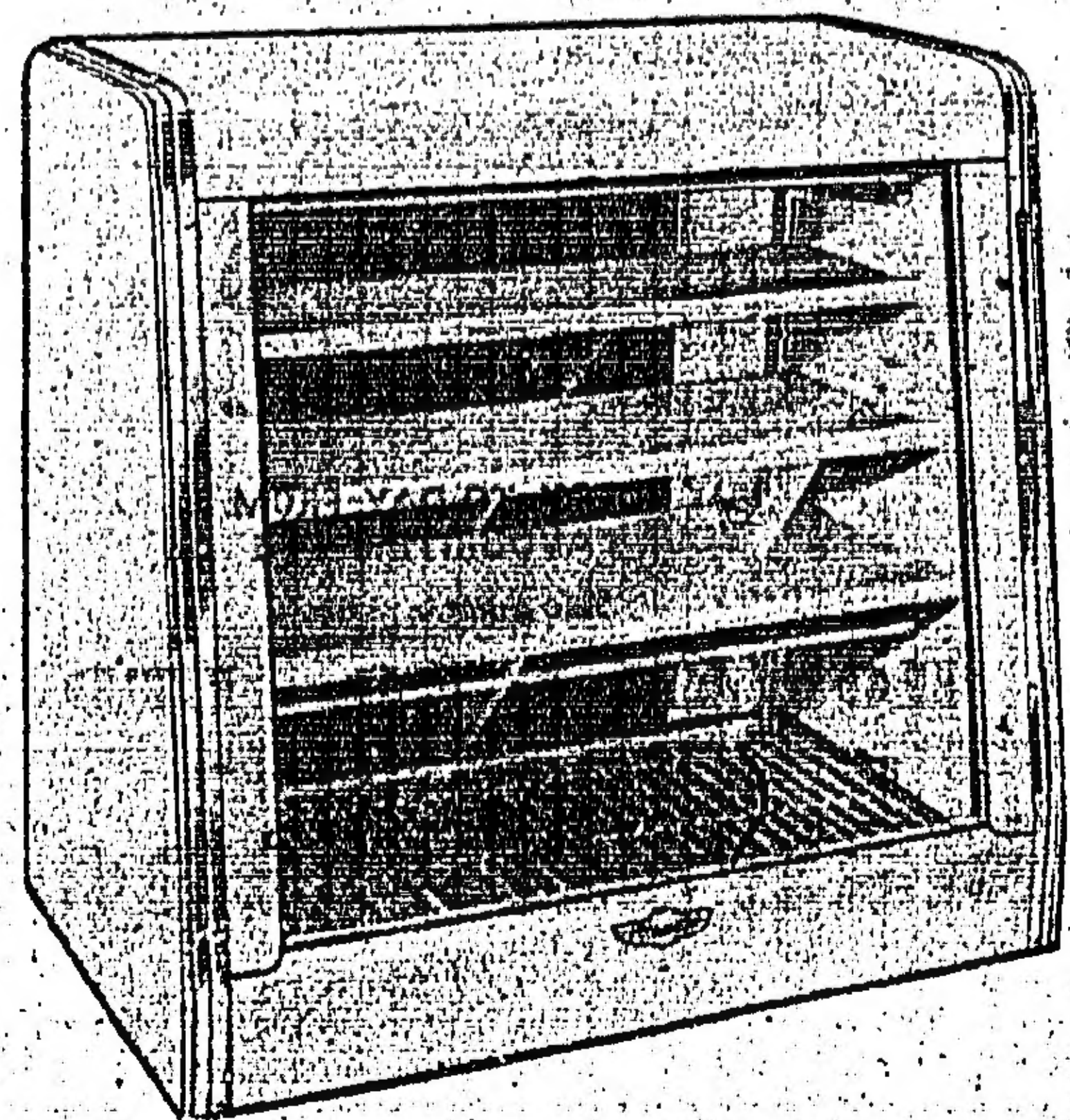
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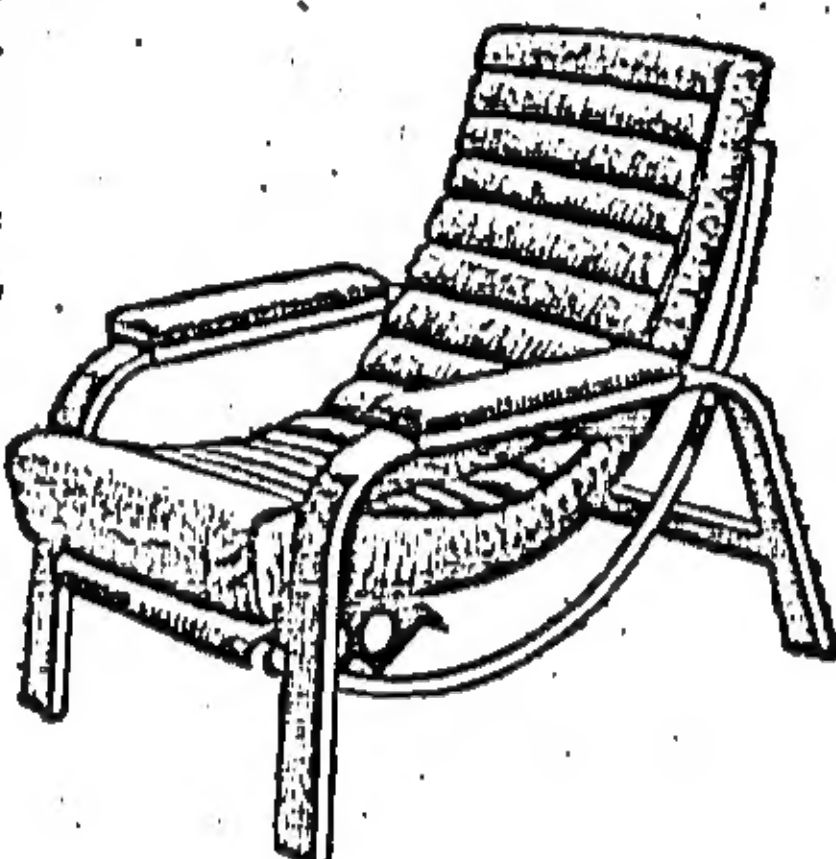
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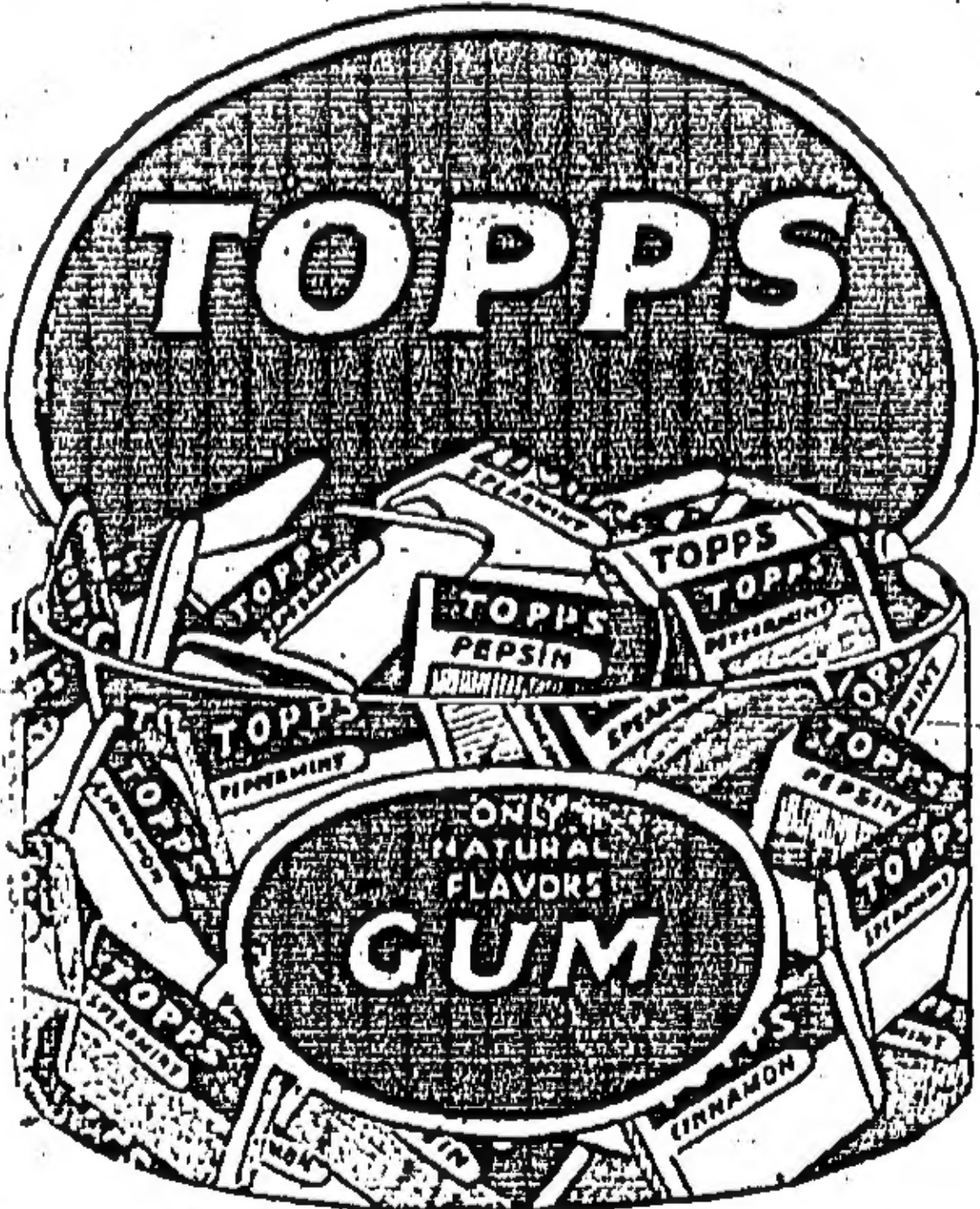
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Enquire at Krishna Silk Store, Hankow Road,  
for information and reservation.

UNITED STATES FACES  
3 COURSES IN CHINA

BY BILL LOGAN

Shanghai, August 1.—The United States' future in China can be reduced to three exceedingly difficult choices. Can it give unreserved help to the Kuomintang to crush the Communists? Can it insist on a liberal government? Or can it sit back and watch things drift?

All three have great disadvantages, observers believe. The United States might include a middle course—insist on a reorganised government plus limited closely supervised financial assistance.

America has this power because of its economic and military position and wealth enough, if used properly, to restore China's economy. The Chinese look to America as a bulwark against future Japanese aggression and a safety valve to prevent USSR encroachment of Chinese sovereignty.

The Kuomintang likes nothing better than unrestricted help and minimum supervision, enough arms, ammunition, planes and bombs to drive the Communists into harmless areas, plus huge loans to combat inflation.

This course is hardly feasible because past sums of three or four billions were wasted in Army equipment which was lost, loans which were misused, and military campaigns bungled. If the Communists reduce the war to one of attrition the Kuomintang thoroughly improves its military and economic position.

**Billions Down The Drain**  
American businessmen, who have seen billions go "down the drain," are resolutely opposed to seeing this again, claiming that it harms American interests instead of helping them.

If American help, without direct participation, could wipe out the Communist menace, it might seem an easy solution despite a strain on Soviet relations, but many American military officials believe Russia would not act.

The second choice—the most desirable and which was requested by Gen. George Marshall—is the most difficult. The Generalissimo is surrounded by friends and advisers with whom he has worked since the early days of the Kuomintang. He does not like to discard them, and China cannot become liberal with them. Some like Chen Li-fu, Minister of Organisation of the Kuomintang, is far too powerful to be pushed around.

Finding the liberals to form a completely reorganised government is no easy task. The Young China Party is more or less fastened to the government's coat-tails. The Democratic League is far too Leftist. The Democratic Socialists are somewhere in the middle.

A few men are regarded as actually liberal, like Shao Li-tze, a member of the Kuomintang and Secretary-General of the P.F. to Teh-nai, former Ambassador to Moscow, Hu Lin, editor of the Ta Kung Pao, and Dr. Hu Shih, former United States Ambassador and now President of the National Peking University.

## Tragic Possibilities

Observers, however, cannot see how a complete reorganisation can be realised until the old guard dies out. The Kuomintang has lost much influence with the people in recent years because of the chaotic financials, but the members, never elected by free general election, can only be ousted by the Generalissimo.

On the other hand, the Communists have not gained any prestige with the ordinary people.

The third choice has tragic possibilities. If the United States sits back to see what happens, it might be too late. Americans have great respect for the common people of China and hate to see their desperate plight get worse.

Many observers do not expect a sudden change for the worse though they certainly do not expect a sudden change for the better. A few expect the country to crack up completely. The people are filled with despair and misery and hope for an end to the civil war, but they have survived bad situations before. They fear Russia because they believe she is helping the Chinese Communists and is eyeing the country's outer frontiers. They fear Japan because her industry can cause more suffering since China is not in a position to compete.

The Chinese people fear more than anything else the United States will do nothing.—United Press.

## Wedemeyer in Peiping

Peiping, Aug. 2.—The Wedemeyer mission has arrived here from Nanking for an inspection of North China and Manchuria.

It plans a three-day stay in Peiping, and said it was seeking first-hand information on the two areas which are of "great importance to China's political and economic entity."

The group was welcomed by high Chinese and American officials. A visit to Mukden, Tientsin and Tientsin is planned but Dairen is not in the itinerary.—United Press.

## NOTICE

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AMENDMENTS  
REJECTED BY  
COMMONS

London, August 1.—The House of Commons today rejected the four amendments to the Government's Town and Country Planning Bill, on which the Conservative majority defeated the Government in the House of Lords a few weeks ago.

The amendments will now be sent back to the House of Lords, which is thought to accept them, this time, as with the Transport Nationalisation Bill, suggest further modifications.

The Town and Planning Bill gives the Government control over the development of land, and provides for compensation to landowners whose property is taken for Government planning schemes.

The amendments were designed to narrow the scope of the Bill and modify the Government's powers.

The House of Commons will send a message to the House of Lords stating that it cannot accept these amendments, some of which the Minister for Town and Country Planning, Mr. Lewis Silkin, said would make the whole administrative machinery unworkable.

It is believed likely that attempts at compromise may yet be made.—Reuter.

Wanted Wife To  
Remarry

London, Aug. 1.—Squadron Leader Alan Stewart, killed in action two years ago at the age of 32, wanted his wife to remarry as a compliment to him, publication of the RAF flyer's will disclosed today.

"I should consider it a great compliment to my success as a husband if she were to marry again," said the will, which left Mrs. Stewart £2,000.

The widow's mother said today that she doubted if Mrs. Stewart would remarry. "She has had the best and now perhaps she will not have the second best."—Associated Press.

Canadian Spy  
Scare Echo

London, Aug. 1.—Leading British scientists today pleaded with the Home Secretary, Mr. Chuter Ede, for the reduction of the 10-year sentence on the 1946 spy trial of their colleague, Dr. Alan Nunn, for alleged disclosure of atom secrets.

It is understood that a deputation from the Association of Scientific Workers, led by Professor Harold Laski, former Chairman of the Labour Party and a member of the Party Executive, told that there could be no remission of the sentence at present.

Dr. Alan Nunn was involved in the sensational Canadian atomic spy scare of 1945.—Reuter.

FIGHTING NEAR  
ATHENS

Athens, Aug. 1.—Fighting has broken out between Greek partisans and Army units near Likiriki in the Mount Parnassus area, 75 miles northwest of Athens, according to reports from Patras to the military authorities here.

The official Greek news agency reported tonight that the partisan band of 500 strong, suffered heavily. Communications by sea across the Gulf of Corinth just to the south of the battle area were prohibited to prevent any attempt by the partisans to escape southwards into the Peloponnese mountains.

The Royalist evening paper "Estia" stated this evening that large groups of "bandits" who had retreated from Greece into Bulgaria were being concentrated near the Bulgarian frontier, particularly near the junction of the Greek-Yugoslav and Bulgarian frontiers.

The paper stated that the partisans were being transported to concentration points in Bulgarian military trucks. The same newspaper reported that "Communist bands" are planning an attack from Bulgarian territory into Greek Thrace, with the object of interrupting land communications between Greece and Turkey.—Reuter.

Postponement Of Jap  
Peace Talks

Washington, Aug. 1.—Responsible diplomatic circles here today accepted the view that the United States will postpone the date of her preliminary talks on the Japanese peace settlement, tentatively proposed for August 10.

Russia had rejected the proposal outright and Britain and the Dominions had asked for a postponement because the late clause was a Commonwealth discussion on the same subject previously arranged for August 20 at Canberra.—Reuter.

Montgomery On  
Way Home

Sydney, Aug. 1.—Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, left Sydney for London today for talks on cuts in Britain's armed services in the light of the economic crisis.

Montgomery, who is travelling in his personal Avro York plane, is expected to make his first stop at Darwin.—Associated Press.

22 STATES  
JOIN INDIA  
DOMINION

Now Delhi, August 1.—The rulers of 22 Indian states have expressed readiness to accede to the Dominion of India, an official announcement said today.

The announcement from the Viceroy's House stated that the instruments of accession had now been finalised and accepted by the representatives of the States, following the rulers' conference with the Viceroy, Viscount Mountbatten, on July 25, and their subsequent discussions with the States Department.

The following are the 22 rulers who have expressed a desire to accede to the Indian Dominion: Travancore, Baroda, Cochin, Rajplha, Gwalior, Patiala, Bikaner, Jodhpur, Dungarpur, Dhar, Nawanganer, Jhalawar, Panna, Tehri-Garhwal, Parbhat, Sangli, Sitabganj, Palitana, Phaltan, Khairagarh, Gandhar.—Reuter.

**New Indian Party**  
Calcutta, August 1.—Sardar Chandra Bose, former Congress Member of the Indian Interim Government, today announced the formation of a new party to be known as the Socialist Republican Party, one of the aims being freedom from British or other influence or control.

Bose, who recently resigned from the Indian National Congress, said the other objectives would be "complete independence," the end of autocratic rule in the Indian States and the establishing of a Union of Socialist republics in India on the basis of linguistic groupings.

The party has accepted Bose's ideology and "considers the completion of his unfulfilled task as its main aim," it was stated.—Reuter.

More Burmese  
Arrests

Rangoon, Aug. 1.—Ba Maw, head of the Burmese government during the Japanese occupation, and his aide, Bandoa U Sein, who was his Minister of Information, were arrested today in the continuing search for the assassins of the Burmese ministers.

U Saw, Burmese Immigration officer, was arrested at Chittagong, and the police reported seizing arms at his home. His wife who is the niece of U Saw, the Burmese leader, is also under arrest.—United Press.

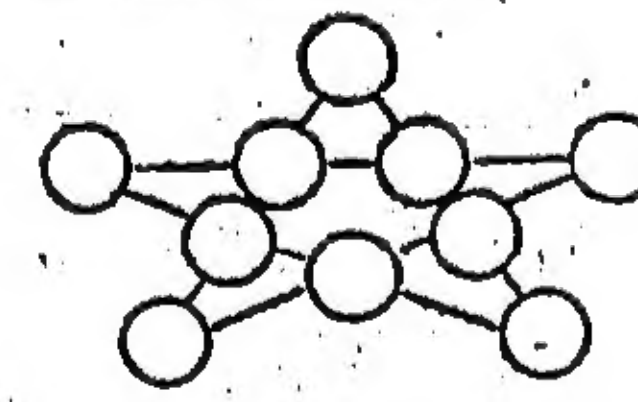
## LIRA DEVALUED

Rome, August 1.—The Italian Cabinet today devalued the lira with immediate effect, setting the official exchange rate at 350 lire to one dollar (U.S.).

This step automatically alters the value of the lira from 900 to 1,400 lire to £1, and will affect exchange rates for other currencies similarly.—Reuter.

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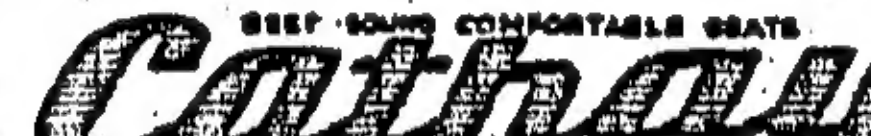
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